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ALLEN—January 27, 1923, at De Montfort House, London rd., Leicester, to Dr and Mrs. Theodore W. Allen, a daughter (Kathleen Drummond).

HAMILTON—January 30, 1923, to Reena, wife of Captain Charles Sackville Hamilton, the East Lancashire Regiment, a daughter.

SMITH—January 28, 1923, at Victoria Bridge, Sligo, the wife of Hillas G. Smith, of a daughter.

WISE—January 30, 1923, at Mayne's Hill, Winslow, Bucks, to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wise, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

RUSSELL and MAIR—December 6, 1922, at Pretoria, Transvaal, Thomas A. Russell, eldest son of the late Thomas S. and Mrs. Russell, 10 Prince of Wales' tce., Ballsbridge, Dublin, to Catherine Mair, daughter of the late Colin Alex Mair, Eldon, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, and Mrs. Paterson, Pretoria.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this Column will be found on Page 6.

ALEXANDER—January, 1923, Walter Scott Alexander, M.D., Administrator, Chatham Islands, New Zealand, younger son of the late Mrs. Alexander, Ramelton, Co. Donegal.

BLACK—January 31, 1923, at Rosenallis, Susan Priscilla, widow of the late Jacob Black, Head Constable, R.I.C. Funeral to reach French Church, Portarlington, to-day (Friday) at 12 o'clock.

CARR—January 31, 1923, at Gocean, Killyleagh, Co. Down, William C. Carr. Funeral leaves his residence at 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow (Saturday), 3rd February, 1923.

CONNOLLY—January 27, 1923, at her residence, 12 Chaworth tce., Dublin, Annie, beloved wife of Thomas Connolly, and daughter of the late Thomas Foxton, Dranagh, Ferns. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord," Rev. xiv., 13. Interred in Mount Jerome 30th ult. Canadian papers please copy.

DALY—February 1, 1923, at Private Nursing Home, John, son of the late James Daly, Liffey Bank. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

ERRITT—At her residence, 3 Tinahask, Arklow, Deborah Erritt. Funeral to New Cemetery, Arklow, to-morrow (Saturday), 2.30.

HALPIN—January 31, 1923, at Nursing Home, Reading, Rev. Arthur Neville Halpin, M.A., T.C.D., son of the late Frederick Halpin, Sandycove.

HOPWOOD—January 26, 1923, at Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, of pneumonia, Charles, son of the late Head Constable Charles Hopwood, Cavan, to the inexpressible grief of his sorrowing wife, sisters, brothers, and friends.

LONGWORTH-DAMES—January 30, 1923, Francis James Nesbitt, only son of the late Robert Staples Longworth-Dames, and dearly-loved husband of Mary F. Longworth-Dames, aged 43 years. Funeral (private) from his residence, Dunmore, Kingstown.

O'GARA—February 1, 1923, at Baggot st. Hospital, after a long illness, William J. O'Gara, elder son of Michael and Mary O'Gara, Hollymount, Co. Mayo, and late of 9 Eglinton tce., Donnybrook, and of Irish Land Commission. Deeply regretted by sorrowing wife, parents, and relatives. Funeral arrangements later.

WALKER—January 31, 1923, at St. John's Rectory, Sligo (the residence of his son-in-law, the Rev. C. A. Rainsford, M.A.), Robert Walker, in his 79th year. Funeral (by motor) to-morrow (Saturday), February 3rd, to Belturbet Church, arriving about 12 noon. No flowers, by request.

IMPORTANT.—As announcements for this column, if posted on Saturday, cannot reach this office in time for Monday's paper, they should be sent by telegram.

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The Housing, Workshops, and Supplies Committee of the Dublin Corporation are prepared to receive Tenders for the Supply, and Delivery on Site, of Timber for Joinery and Rough Timber for Forty-six Houses on the Fairbrothers Fields Housing Area, in accordance with the schedule, which may be obtained at the Offices of the City Treasurer, Exchange Buildings, Lord Edward street, Dublin, on payment of One Pound, which will be returned to the Contractors who submit bona-fide tenders. The Timber to be delivered in lots as required, and Timber for Joinery to be finished in Dublin by Trade Union Labour to the specified sizes.

The Conditions of Contract may be inspected at the Office of the City Architect, 15 Parliament street, Dublin, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. (Saturdays excepted).

Tenders must be accompanied by the Schedule (priced in ink), and must contain the names of two solvent sureties willing to be bound severally with the Contractor in a sum equal to one-half of the amount of the Tender.

Tenders, under seal, addressed to the Chairman of the Housing, Workshops, and Supplies Committee, and endorsed "Tender for Timber, Fairbrothers Fields Housing Scheme," to be lodged at the Town Clerk's Office, Lord Edward street, Dublin, not later than 12 noon on the 19th February, 1923.

Contractors will be required to agree to the condition that no Tender shall be amended or withdrawn before the expiration of a period of three months from the date of delivery of same to the Corporation, unless with the consent of the Corporation, previously obtained.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

By Order,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk.
31st January, 1923.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.
ELECTRICITY AND PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE.
TENDERS FOR DISMANTLING A BOILER, ECONOMISER, AND STACK.

The Electricity and Public Lighting Committee of the Corporation of Dublin invite Tenders for the Disconnecting, Dismantling, and Removal of One Water Tube Boiler, Economiser Steel Stack, Pipework and Accessories, at their Works at Pigeon House Fort.

Specification, Form of Tender, and particulars of work can be obtained from the City Electrical Engineer, Electricity Offices, Fleet street, Dublin, on and after February 3rd, 1923, on payment of One Guinea, which amount will be refunded on receipt of a bona fide Tender.

Tenders addressed to the Chairman, Electricity and Public Lighting Committee, Electricity Offices, Fleet street, Dublin, and endorsed "Tender for Removal Work," must be lodged not later than noon on February 13th, 1923.

The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk, Secretary.
Electricity Offices, Fleet street, Dublin,
1st February, 1923.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.
WATERWORKS AND MARKETS COMMITTEE.
TO PATENT GLAZING MANUFACTURERS, &c.

The Waterworks and Markets Committee of the Corporation of Dublin are prepared to receive Tenders for the Glazing of Four Bays of Roof of the Fish Market, situate at St. Michan street, in accordance with the specification and conditions of contract prepared by the City Architect, which may be inspected on any week day (Saturdays excepted) at his Office, No. 15 Parliament street, Dublin, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Copies of the specifications, conditions of contract, may be inspected at the City Architect's Office on the days and within the hours mentioned above, on lodgment of two pounds (£2) with the City Treasurer, which will be returned to the firms who submit bona fide Tenders.

The accepted Contractor will be required to enter into a Contract with the Corporation under seal.

Tenders sealed and endorsed "Tender for Glazing Roof of Fish Market," should be addressed to the Chairman, Waterworks and Markets Committee, Fishamble street, and delivered not later than 12 o'clock, noon, on MONDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1923. The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

By Order,
JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk,
Secretary, Waterworks and Markets Committee.
2nd February, 1923. K.A.A.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are invited from competent Builders for the Erection of New Licensed Premises at Drogheda street, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin, for Joseph McGowan, Esq. Drawings and Specification can be inspected at the Offices of the undersigned Architects. Copies of Bills of Quantities prepared by T. F. Slevin, Esq., Surveyor, 23 Stephen's Green, N., Dublin, may be obtained from him on payment of a deposit of two guineas, which will be returned on receipt of *bona-fide* tender.

Sealed Tenders and Priced Bill of Quantities under separate cover to be lodged with G. L. O'Connor, Esq., F.R.I.A.I., Mansion House Chambers, 27 Dawson street, Dublin, on or before FRIDAY, 16th February, 1923.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted, nor will any tender be paid for.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.

HENRIETTA GEORGINA SEYMOUR, late of 19 Brookfield terrace, Donnybrook, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the above-named Deceased, by her Will, dated the 2nd day of November, 1916, bequeathed to Miss Janie FitzGerald, of 3 Castlewood Park, Rathmines, the interest on the sum of £500 during her life, and after her death the principal sum of £500 to become the property of the Trinity College, Dublin, Missionary Society to Chota Nagpur, India, and Testatrix desired that the Committee of the said Missionary Society should be requested to act as Trustees of the said principal sum, and pay the interest on same to the said Janie FitzGerald until her decease; and Testatrix declare that the receipt of the Secretary of the said Society should be a sufficient discharge to her Executors.

Testatrix died on the 2nd day of October, 1922, and Probate of her said Will was, on the 17th day of November, 1922, granted to James Moore, of 8 Anglesea street, Dublin, Solicitor, and John William Moore, of Northbrook road, in the County of Dublin, Esquire, the Executors named in the said Will, forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Southern Ireland.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1923.

WM. M. MOORE and SONS, 8 Anglesea street, Dublin, Solicitors for said Executors.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and to all Whom it May Concern.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.

FRANCES EMILY AUGUSTA VICTORIA BRENAN, late of The Cottage, Ballymascanlon, in the County of Louth, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the above-named Deceased, by her Will, dated the 19th day of July, 1917, bequeathed the following Charitable Legacies:

£500 to the Louth Protestant Orphan Society, Co. Louth.

£200 to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, 35 Westmoreland street, Dublin.

£200 to the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund, Kildare street, Dublin.

£100 to the Gardeners' Benefit Society.

£500 to the Representative Church Body of the Church of Ireland, in trust for the Parish of Ballymascanlon.

Testatrix died on the 8th day of August, 1922, and Probate of her said Will was, on the 24th day of October, 1922, granted to Nigel Robeson Crum-Ewing, of Flat No. 1, 108 Great Portland street, London, W.1, the surviving Executor named in the said Will, forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Southern Ireland.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1923.

WM. M. MOORE and SONS, 8 Anglesea street, Dublin, Solicitors for said Executor.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and to all Whom it May Concern.

IN THE GOODS OF EDWARD JOSEPH O'MALLEY, Deceased.

Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic. Cap. 35, entitled "An Act further to amend the Law of Property and to Relieve Trustees," Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming to be Creditors or to have any claims or demands upon or affecting the Estate of the said Edward Joseph O'Malley, late of 17 Pembroke Park, in the County of Dublin, Esquire, who died on the 7th day of November, 1922, are hereby required to furnish the particulars (in writing) of such claims or demands on or before the 26th day of February, 1923, to the undersigned Solicitors for Mrs. Bridget Martha O'Malley, Executrix, to whom Probate was on the 15th day of January, 1923, granted forth of the Principal Registry, King's Bench Division (Probate) of His Majesty's High Court of Justice, Ireland. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 26th day of February, 1923, the said Executrix will distribute the assets of the said deceased according to the rights of the parties interested, having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice.

Dated 25th day of January, 1923.

MAXWELL, WELDON and CO., Solicitors for said Executrix, 40 North Great George's street, Dublin.

Pursuant to an Order of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in Southern Ireland, made in the matter of the Estate of ROBERT HENRY, late of Tallaght, in the County of Dublin, Deceased;

And in a Cause, "GAVIN LOW, LIMITED, v. HENRY" (1922, No. 391),

the creditors of the said Robert Henry, Deceased, who died in or about the month of April, 1922, are, on or before the 23rd day of February, 1923, to send by post, prepaid, to Mr. James A. Henderson, of 23 Anglesea street, in the City of Dublin, the Solicitor for the Defendant, the Administratrix of the Deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses, and descriptions, and in case of firms, the names of the partners and style and title of the firm, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.

Every creditor holding any security is to produce same before the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Powell, at his Chambers, Dublin, on the 5th day of March, 1923, at 11 of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1923.

THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.
KENNEDY and SONS, Solicitors for Plaintiffs, 4 Lower Ormond quay, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of LEVINS J. O'REILLY, late of 17 Brookfield terrace, Anglesea road, Donnybrook, County Dublin, Solicitor.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors, or otherwise to have claims against the estate of the above Deceased, who died intestate on the 25th day of April, 1922, are hereby required, on or before the 1st day of March, 1923, to furnish (in writing) particulars of their claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Administratrix, to whom Letters of Administration were granted on the 8th day of January, 1923, forth of the Principal Registry of the King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Southern Ireland, and in default thereof the Administratrix will proceed to administer the estate of Deceased, having regard only to the claims of which she shall have had notice.

LITTLE and CULLEN, Solicitors for the Administratrix, 24 St. Andrew street, Dublin.

IN THE GOODS OF KATE McGRATH, late of Ardtullybeg, in the County of Louth, Widow, Deceased.

Take Notice that on the expiration of eight days from the date hereof we shall apply to the proper Officer for a Grant of Administration (Intestate) of the personal estate and effects of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 30th day of December, 1920, unless a Caveat has been entered in the Principal Probate Registry, King's Inns, Henrietta street, Dublin, within the aforesaid eight days.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1923.

O'HARE and O'HAGAN, Solicitors for Administratrix, Dundalk, and 24 St. Andrew street, Dublin.

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WANTED, Lady's Bicycle, 20" frame, good condition; no dealers.—F 1839, this office.

CHAUFFEURS, MECHANICS, CONTINUED.

DISENGAGED

CHAUFFEUR requires situation; can drive any make car, lorry, or tractor, do all running repairs; 7 years' experience; Protestant, single. Address "Z 3414, Chauffeur," this office. 31 A

CHAUFFEUR, experienced Ford Driver; understands running repairs, pony, garden; suburbs or Co. Dublin; terms. Address "Z 3416, Chauffeur," this office. 31 C

GENTLEMAN recommends his Chauffeur Gardener; thoroughly honest and trustworthy; understands vegetables and the driving and keeping of motor car. Apply, stating wages given, etc., Major Seigne, Grenane House, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. 29 X

SITUATIONS CONTINUED.

WANTED for country, a competent Bookkeeper and Shorthand Typist (lady), well up in office routine. Address "Z 3404, Bookkeeper," this office. 31 A

WANTED, Organist for the Parish of St. Mary's and Colpe, Drogheda. For particulars apply to F. G. McKeever, LL.B., 35 Laurence st., Drogheda. 31 A

WANTED, highly competent experienced Lady to Buy Hosiery, Gloves, Haberdashery in important Northern city. Apply James J. Murphy, 64 William street, South, Dublin, Saturday or Monday, 12 o'clock, or letter. 1 F

WANTED, daily, Mother's Help; housework, plain cooking; fond of children; £26. Letters only, St. Anne's, Winton avenue, Rathgar.

WANTED, Youth, aged 19-20, for office work; good knowledge shorthand and typewriting essential; only males need apply; state experience and salary expected.—F 1834, this office. 1 B

WANTED young, capable Lady Help for two in family; all duties, good cooking; maid kept. Full particulars, age, copies references, etc. Address "Z 3363, Lady Help," this office. 30 X

WOOLLENS and Readymades—Wanted, capable Salesman (Protestant); state experience, salary (indoor). Address "Z 3447, Salesman," this office. 1 B

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

LOANS—The Commercial Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 57 Middle Abbey st., Dublin, grant Loans. Apply the Manager. 26 28

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS. OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

HOTEL Cook and Kitchenmaid Wanted; good bread making essential.—F 1748, this office.

LINENKEEPER required; must be good needlewoman and able to undertake housekeeper's duties; send copies. Address "Z 3439, Linenkeeper," this office. 1 B

SEWINGMAID required, hotel; must be good needlewoman, cut out, and make loose covers; send copies. Address "Z 3440, Sewingmaid," this office. 1 F

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

HOTEL Housemaid, thoroughly experienced; city or suburbs; good references.—F 1759, this office.

HOTEL Housemaid seeks situation, suburbs or country; highly recommended.—F 1795, this office.

WANTED, situation as first class Waitress, hotel, restaurant; first class reference. Apply A., 28 Coldwell st., Sandycove. 30 F

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

GLASGOW Manufacturers of Fancy Cotton Dress Goods, Shirtings, Winceys, etc., require Agent in Ireland having good connection with wholesale makers up and shipping; apply, in confidence, giving full particulars of connection and commission required. Address "Cotton," Wm. Porteous and Co., Advertising Agents, Glasgow. 1 B

MANUFACTURER'S Agent (Drapery) requires Assistant, salary and commission; state experience and copy of reference.—F 1527, this office. 29 E

WANTED, first class Agent for Ireland, to Represent an old established Firm of Cap Manufacturers to the Wholesale Trade; must have good connection amongst the wholesale cap buyers. Address "Z 3276, Agent," this office. 27 F

WANTED, by Motor Tyre Concern, first class Buying Agents; business already established in Ireland; only gentlemen with knowledge of motor trade and of sound financial standing need apply.—F 1799, this office. 1 B

LEGAL.

EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist Wanted. Reply, stating salary, F 1718, this office. 31 A

SOLICITOR, R.C., Partner, Assistant, or Clerk Wanted Dublin office.—F 1863, this office.

MEDICAL.

CHEMIST in country town (Limerick) requires Junior or Improver; state terms, etc.; also Apprentice. Address "Z 3410, Chemist," this office. 31 B

DUBLIN Pharmacy requires Apprentice immediately; exam. passed.—F 1806, this office. 1 F

JUNIOR Assistant or Improver required for country town (South, seaside); knowledge of photography. Address "Z 3418, Junior," this office. 31 A

MEDICAL Hall (House and Business) for Sale, in good town in Western Midlands. Address "Z 3394, Hall," this office. 31 E

MEDICAL—Death Vacancy—The first class, well established, rapidly growing practice carried on by the late Dr. Mary Slade, at Benvista, Antrim road, Belfast, with contents of Surgery, etc., are available for Transfer on reasonable terms. Transfer of Tenancy and immediate possession can be arranged. 11.4 Citroen Saloon Car, new April, 1922, also for Sale. Apply to S. Craig, at above address. 31 A

PANBILINE—Invaluable for treatment of all liver ailments and constipation. Supplied by leading chemists; Pilules 4/6 box, Liquid 6/9 bottle. Generous trail packing Panbiline Liquid or Pilules, 2/3, postage paid.—G. F. Loubard and Co., Sole Agents, 5 South Frederick street, Dublin. 27 F

SECRETARY Attendant Wanted by Dental Surgeon; reply, stating experience (if any) and salary expected. Address "Z 3441, Secretary," this office. 1 F

WANTED immediately, Qualified Chemist for South; young, energetic; full particulars first letter. Address "Z 3303, Medical," this office. 29 E

WANTED, Pharmaceutical Chemist; recently qualified would suit; send reference, state salary (outdoor). Address "Z 3319, Chemist," this office. 29 E

YOUNG Lady wishes post as Nurse Companion to Invalid lady or gentleman; 4 years' nursing experience; willing to help at housework. Address "Z 3409, Nurse," this office. 31 A

YOUNG Lady, with nursing experience, desires post with delicate lady or young person; I.C.; good reference; would travel.—119, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge.

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims., Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville street, Dublin. T

EVENING Tuitions, Blackrock to Dalkey, Wanted by Senior Sophister, T.C.D.—F 1710, this office. 31 A

ENGLISH Gentlewoman, R.C., desires engagement as Nursery Governess; excellent references. Reply O. T., 14 Lower Pembroke street, Dublin. 1 B

GRADUATE (Trinity) desires employment; two years' teaching experience. Address "Z 3377, Graduate," this office. 30 F

GOVERNESS (Nursery), R.C., disengaged; music, fluent French.—Governess, 95 Sandymount avenue. F 1837, this office.

IRISH Lady, excellent teacher, fond of children, good manager, has travelled, suitable for responsible post, middle aged, seeks re-engagement. Apply Mrs. Burrows, Ancaster House, Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex. 12 25

NEW Irish Serial Story, "Pat the Adventurer," by Katharine Tynan, now appearing in the "Weekly Irish Times." New readers can begin to-day. Price twopence. 30 F

QUERIES on General Health, Legal, Police, Dress, and other subjects answered by experts in the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day. Price twopence. 30 F

SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount st. 'Phone, 3055. T

SELECT Boarding School—Two Vacancies 1st February, Boys under 16; ideal training, excellent surroundings and catering; individual attention; best family life assured. Address "Z 3317, Vacancies," this office. 29 E

TUITIONS, CONTINUED.

SHORTHAND, Typewriting—Expert Private Tuition; limited number; moderate.—Murphy, 16 Appian Way. 12 29

SPECIALISED Oral and Postal Tuition for University and Professional Preliminaries, Bank, Corporation, and Railway Clerkships.—Belmont College, 36 Dawson st., Dublin. 'Phone, 2685.

THOROUGH Grinding in Shorthand, Bookkeeping, experienced Certificated Teacher; central.—F 1724, this office. 31 A

TUITION in Classics and Philosophy for all exams.—W. Beare, B.A. (Univ. Stud.), 30 T.C.D. 1 F

VACANCY in School in the North for two Sisters. Address "Z 3411, Vacancy," this office. 31 E

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED.

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin, Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

FEMALE Substitute (I.C.) required in March for one Teacher; country school. Address "Z 3350, Teacher," this office. 30 F

J.A.M., for April 1st, Wanted for Glaslough School; able to teach singing. Apply Rector, Glaslough, Co. Monaghan. 1 F

NURSERY Governess Wanted, neighbourhood of Carrickmines, to take entire charge four small children (Catholics); salary £25; state age, give references.—"Governess," Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 1 F

WANTED, Private Lessons in Irish language, South side of city.—F 1582, this office. 30 F

WANTED, Protestant Governess for girl 12 years; usual English subjects, French, music, and drill; must have good accent, age 25 to 30; comfortable home, Co. Kildare; interview Dublin, by arrangement; please send on copies of testimonials, stating age and salary. Address "Z 3421, Governess," this office. 1 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A POSITION required as Lady Help or Child's Nurse (Protestant); England or Ireland.—C. Nicholson, Y.W.C.A., Waterford.

A LADY, having long experience of Dressmaking, would go to Sew for ladies or children, temporary; Meath, Co. Dublin, or Louth preferred. Address "Z 3433, Lady," this office.

A VERY respectable young Lady desires position as Bookkeeper, having 6 years' experience in cash office, wishes for a change; splendid reference. Address "Z 3459, Bookkeeper," this office.

CARPENTER (28) seeks employment in country, estate work or otherwise; reasonable; good experience and reference.—F 1737, this office. 31 E

DRESSMAKER, experienced, wishes work, ladies' houses; very good at loose chair covers; references. 27 Coldwell st., Sandycove, Kingstown. 30 F

DRAPERY—Youth, 16, farmer's Son, I.C., wishes to hear of vacancy for Apprentice to above; well recommended. Address "Z 3457, Youth," this office. 1 B

EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist, desiring change, seeks employment; excellent references.—F 1867, this office. 1 B

GENTLEMAN (Protestant) in good position, short hours, desires Evening Position, secretarial or otherwise; excellent references.—F 1807, this office. 1 B

LADY Bookkeeper and Cashier, long experience in Contractor's Office; can be highly recommended.—F 1622, this office. 30 F

LADY Bookkeeper, competent, disengaged, desires position.—F 1680, this office. 30 F

LADY seeks Employment of any kind, from ten o'clock; well recommended.—F 1746, this office. 31 A

LADY Clerk, Typist, Shorthand, railway and commercial experience, desires engagement.—F 1706, this office. 31 A

LADY, Care Invalid, Housekeep; quiet, kind, cheerful; state salary. Address "Z 3422, Lady," this office.

RESPECTABLE Farmer's Son, well recommended, desires position as Storeman, Caretaker, Boss, or any position of trust; state terms. Address "Z 3396, Storeman," this office. 31 E

SITUATION Wanted by all round Man in Cinema; 10 years' experience.—F 1801, this office.

WELL educated Girl, age 16 years, tall, good appearance, as Apprentice to Millinery and Drapery, good house; Protestant; highest reference; no fee. Address "Z 3408, Girl," this office. 31 E

WANTED, post, Mother's Help or Nurse to young children; R.C.; excellent needlewoman; can be highly recommended.—Miss Lee, Sycamore, Drogheda.

WANTED, post as Useful Help, I.C., or Housekeeper; references. Address "Z 3453, Help," this office. 1 F

YOUNG Lady seeks position as Junior Clerk; thorough knowledge of shorthand, typewriting, and bookkeeping; highest references.—F 1785, this office. F

YOUNG Lady seeks position Assistant Bookkeeper; thoroughly understands dispense; assist stores; excellent references. Address "Z 3425, Lady," this office.

YOUNG Lady (26), domesticated, capable housekeeper, good appearance, address, seeks suitable post; salary £36.—F 1816, this office. 1 F

YOUNG Gentleman would like to hear of Colonial Farmer or Companion going to Australia or New Zealand; would be prepared to take up any branch of farming. Address "Z 3347, Farmer," this office. 1 A

YOUNG Girl leaving school seeks position; good knowledge of commercial and bookkeeping; holds Intermediate Honours certificates; highly recommended.—F 1841, this office.

YOUNG Man wishes position as Storeman, Despatch Clerk, or any kind of work; references.—F 1836, this office.

YOUNG Girl (16) wishes to be Apprenticed to the Grocery and Provisions.—470, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 1 B

YOUNG Lady, C.I., capable, seeks post as Secretary or travelling Companion to lady; shorthand, typing, bookkeeping; Dublin or South preferred; testimonials and particulars on application. Address "Z 3448, Lady," this office.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

HERD Wanted, experienced, active, trustworthy, sober; must have help. Apply, with copies references, to "Z 3393, Herd," this office.

WANTED, Footman, R.C.; must be highly recommended. Apply, with copies of testimonials, F 1458, this office. 29 E

WANTED, strong, active Man to skin and help in kennels; bed and messroom. Apply C. Morris, Kennels, Mount Juliet, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. 29 E

WANTED, Man and Wife, as generals, without incumbrance, near Ballinrobe, peaceful neighbourhood; work easy; Doctor and two grown children. Allowed furnished rooms, fuel, vegetables, milk, rabbits, potatoes, fruit; man garden, small demesne, generally useful; wife cook general, small washing; state wages, ages, etc. Apply Doctor, 8 Belvedere place, Mountjoy square, Dublin. 31 E

WANTED, General Man, married, Protestant; must understand plain gardening, care horses, cattle, etc., milk; act as sexton. Apply Canon Massy, The Priory, Kells, Co. Kilkenny. 1 B

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

STRONG Boy wanted as Apprentice to Gardening. Apply Landscape, Dundrum, Dublin. 29 E

WANTED, Foreman for Dairy and General Agricultural Farm; must have a thorough knowledge of tractor and general farm machinery. Address "Z 3356, Foreman," this office. 30 E

WANTED, a thorough Working Steward; married, absolutely sober, and reliable; take charge in owner's absence; stage age and give full particulars; knowledge of engine necessary. Address "Z 3364, Steward," this office. 30 X

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

AN experienced Yard and General Man, single, just disengaged; very highly recommended.—Dwyer, c/o Sharpe, New Row, Naas. 29 E

CARETAKER—Man and Wife desire position; highly recommended.—Dean Orr, Tuam, Galway. 29 E

GENERAL Porter in Institution or Hotel; city experience; highly recommended.—F 1762, this office.

MARRIED Couple, no incumbrance, seeks position; wife housekeeper, dairy, laundry; man generally useful.—F 1400, this office. 29 E

MARRIED Couple want situations, Estate Carpenter, handyman; Wife Cook General, Housemaid, etc.; RIC., experienced; references; ages 28, 22, no children, abstainers, reliable; now in service in England; will pay own fare; long service. Address "Z 3383, Couple," this office. 31 A

PROTESTANT Young Man wishes situation, outdoor help garden, pony, trap; experienced housework; highly recommended.—834, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. 31 F

PLOUGHMAN, married, understands all farm work.—M. Delaney, Convent View, Kilcullen, Co. Kildare.

PLOUGHMAN and General Farm Hand, married, wishes to hear of vacancy.—P 513, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 1 F

RABBIT Trapper wishes employment; first class man. Leech, Bay, Athlone. 31 B

RESPECTABLE Protestant Pantry Boy (19), of good appearance, requires situation; would Train as Footman if desired; well recommended.—F 1811, this office. 1 F

WANTED, job as Trapper by Couple; good reference.—F 1586, this office. 30 F

WANTED situation as Groom General Man; I.C., married; state terms.—J. D., Priory, Kells, Co. Kilkenny. 31 E

YOUNG Boy wishes situation as Footman; five years' experience; first class reference. Apply Thomas Brennan, 2 Cottages, Yellow road, Castlecomer, Kilkenny. 29 E

YOUNG Man, 25, unmarried, strict T.T., non-smoker, tall, good appearance, wishing to change, suit to train as butler; can do all housework; can be highly recommended; would go to England. Address "Z 3423, Man," this office.

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

GARDENER—Young Man wishes situation as above; good discharges, well recommended.—Fennell, Pembroke Cottages, Dundrum. 29 E

GARDENER, Working or Head Working, seeks position; capable, active; married. Address "Z 3323, Gardener," this office. 29 E

GENTLEMAN recommends Gardener, General Man; good vegetable grower, understands cows; son mind pony and help. Address "Z 3325, Gardener," this office. 29 E

GARDENER disengaged; experienced all branches; well recommended; married. Address Gardener, Swainston, Kilmessan, Co. Meath. 30 F

GARDENER, single, age 40; thoroughly competent all branches; excellent testimonials.—James Tallon, Ballyrahan, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow. 30 F

GARDENER disengaged, single, generally useful, knowledge of carpentry and oil engines. Address "Z 3372, Gardener," this office. 30 F

GARDENER, 20 years' experience all branches; wife, one child, 6 years.—Gardener, Mount-town House, Kingstown. 31 A

GARDENER (Head Working), understands his business all branches in gentleman's place; age 32; two in family; Protestant; 35/- weekly, with house and usual allowances; would go to England. Address "Z 3458, Gardener," this office.

STRONG, active young Man seeks situation as Foreman or Working Steward; thorough knowledge of all work; highest recommendations. Address "Z 3384, Steward," this office. 31 A

DOMESTICS WANTED.

TRUSTWORTHY Houseworker, trained, untrained, Wanted; state wages (moderate), days, hours.—E 1, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

USEFUL Help or General Wanted, near Avoca; milk one cow; small family; good references. Address "Z 3324, Help," this office. 29 E

USEFUL Maid (Protestant) Wanted by Mrs. Thompson, Muckamore Abbey, Co. Antrim, for two little girls; good references essential; state wages, when applying, also age. 31 F

WANTED, Betweenmaid, R.C.; must be highly recommended. Apply, with copies of testimonials, F 1459, this office. 29 E

WANTED, capable Maid to undertake all duties in convenient modern house; family two; wages £30, rising £2 yearly. Apply Miss Birney, Bryngoue, Foxrock. 30 F

WANTED, Cook and Housemaid, experienced; £20, £24.—Richmond High School, Armagh. 31 A

WANTED, a good, sensible country Girl, middle aged, able to milk, wash, and help with general household work; wages £18. Address "Z 3461, Girl," this office.

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.
There are many Vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "IRISH TIMES," for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fee charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

A COOK General or Cook Housekeeper Wanted, three in family. Call Friday, 3 o'clock, 4 Morehampton road.

COOK, good Plain, Wanted for staff, Catholic school, South of England; £40 wages, with board, lodging, and laundry; references required. Address "Z 3357, Cook," this office. 30 F

COOK General Wanted, Protestant; small family, Tyrone; good wages; comfortable place; house parlourmaid kept. Apply Mrs. Acheson, Castlecaulfield, Tyrone. 1 B

WOMAN AND HER HOME.

HIDDEN TREASURES.

"THAT OLD THING" MAY BE VALUABLE.

THERE are often articles of great value to be discovered, even in the humblest homes, about which the owners have little or no knowledge, and, when the cup, plate, teapot, or box is admired by a stranger, the remark so often is—"Oh! that old thing. Why, that belonged to my Grannie; she was a great collector of old things."

A certain amount of enlightenment has come with the cult for old brass, Sheffield plate, china, tortoiseshell, and old ivory. People are now more chary of parting with anything old to the first insinuating dealer or pedlar that happens along, but, though aware that antiques have a certain monetary value, the owners still remain in a state of ignorance as to the why and wherefore of their value, sometimes placing an absurdly high price on some insignificant article, while others for a few shillings will dispose of some rare and lovely object.

Old China.

The most usual treasures found throughout the country are bits of old china, though a wealth of antique furniture, Waterford glass, and old silver may still be found in different parts of Ireland.

Only those who have studied the subject of "Old China" have an idea of the artistic and educational benefit derived from a close knowledge of the composition and evolution in the manufacture of china. It is known that a certain kind of pottery or earthenware was made in England at a very early age; but few specimens survive, and it was not until the middle of the seventeenth century that china began to replace pewter, in the same manner that pewter took the place of the wooden platters of our forefathers.

The early specimens of porcelain mentioned in history, such as Queen Elizabeth's "white porringer," were doubtless imported from China; such pieces were extremely rare until the middle of the seventeenth century, when the East Indian Trading Company brought over beautiful Oriental ware with their other imports. To learn the different marks on china is a necessity when judging, but it must be recollected that some of the oldest kinds bear no mark at all, so other features must be carefully noticed.

The first thing is to be able to differentiate between porcelain and earthenware. The former is semi-transparent, while the latter is opaque, and there is also a difference in the surface. In porcelain there are two kinds, "hard paste" and "soft paste," and this denotes the ingredients used in the manufacture of each. Experts easily tell by the feel and appearance, but if amateurs require proof, if they rub the underneath of the article in question with a fine file the soft paste will powder easily, while the hard paste will exhibit a mere scratch.

The Glaze.

The glaze of china is a very important feature, enhancing its beauty greatly, and each manufactory has its own special glaze. The earliest and best known was salt glaze, the discovery of which was attributed to a young woman who, in preparing some brine for pickling, allowed it to boil over the sides of the earthenware vessel, which became covered with a hard, bright glaze.

This glaze was used universally until the beginning of the nineteenth century, when a new method was adopted. The more china is studied, the more fascinating becomes the contemplation of its different styles and manifold beauties.

The late Lord Kitchener's relaxation from his arduous work was the collection of old china for his beautiful place, Broome Hall, in Kent. In another article I will treat of the different signs and marks of old English china, so that people may become aware if they are the possessors of anything unique hidden away in their cupboards, unknown and unheeded.

M. I. M.

THROUGH A WINDOW.

MY neighbour over the way has put up fresh curtains, and from their immaculate and glossy folds it is surely permissible to argue a general renewal, a burnishing of metal, a scouring of stone, an extra rub of polish on wooden surfaces, a general freshening and brightening of the more permanent features of the interior of No. 79.

All this to the outsider is a matter of the merest conjecture; after all, what do we know of most of the dwellings that surround ours beyond their window-curtains? It is by them that we are attracted or repelled, on them that we found our approbation or censure; nor, in most cases, are we likely to get beyond them.

Eudoxia was on her way to interview the actual mistress of a highly recommended and apparently most desirable maid, but, seeing the windows of the house dirty and the curtains awry, she turned hastily back at the gate; nor would she be persuaded to reconsider her hasty action, protesting rather that she had learnt all she wanted to know, and that experience always bore out her first impressions, to which one was tempted to retort that she must have been unusually fortunate.

If I call at Ethelburga's after a quarterly cleaning, or even after the usual fortnightly turn-out, I am as likely as not to suffer a sense of bewilderment, a paralysing fear that I have got into the wrong house, and am on the verge of an improvised apology—a verbal exercise which shows me at my weakest. The furniture seems to have been enjoying a game of "general post"; the book-shelf that used to be to the right of the door is somewhere round a corner; that big, comfortable chair has been turned away from the fire-place, leaving a gilded absurdity of trivial proportions in its place, and now divides the alcove—and most unequally divides it!—with a cake-stand.

Ethelburga defends what her detractors call fickleness on the ground that every alteration breaks the monotony, as she calls it, and adds an interest to life; she would not care to have her husband look on his drawingroom with the unexpectant gaze that he bestows on office or smoke-room. In a home, she argues, there should be the glamour of the unknown and unexpected. It should reflect not only the character, but the mood, of its mistress. And so she changes a picture from strong light to shadow or crowds all the heavy furniture to one side of the room, so satisfying what she is pleased to call her artistic craving.

Bianca, on the other hand, does nothing on impulse; with her the position of each footstool is carefully thought out and rigidly prescribed. While there may be more than one good or better, so she puts it, there can be but one best; and so, having disposed her household goods at the start to what she considers the best advantage, with due regard to space, light, proportion, and so on, she sees no reason to change as years go on, the only variety ever permitted being due to the introduction of some new article of furniture. Her plan has the advantage of restfulness, the disadvantage of leaving nothing to the imagination; if she moved to Kamschatka I should expect on entering her boudoir to be confronted with that mirror of Grandmother Dumpling's, flanked by the buhl writing-table and Great-aunt Bridget's sampler in a frame. Her inflexibility does not extend to colour; her curtains change from cream to green, from green to flowered chintz; her carpet, now a warm grey, was once a cold blue. But her practice in this respect is, she maintains, in accordance with the example of Nature: the forest trees change their hue, but, unless uprooted, maintain their relative position.

And, of the two, which ——?

Why force the invidious choice? I like both cherries and strawberries, if you please—not both at the same meal, certainly, but with a decent interval between; so why should not I admire the drawingrooms of both my friends, provided always that I am able to find my way in Ethelburga's without stumbling over anything and can manage to keep awake in Bianca's?

R. M.

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

GOOD Plain Cook, Protestant; small dairy, fowl. Send references to Mrs. Haire-Forster, Deanery, Clogher, Tyrone. 29 E

GOOD Cook General Wanted, Leeson Park vicinity; good wages and outings.—F 1594, this office. 30 F

THOROUGHLY good Plain (singlehanded) Cook, young, Irish household; R.C. Church; £36; send discharges.—G. L., 43 Copse Hill, Wimbledon. E

WANTED, good Plain Cook, R.C., suburbs; small dairy; wages £36; send papers. Address "Z 3315, Cook," this office. 29 E

WANTED, young Cook, experienced; must undertake small dairy; R.C.; state wages, send copies references. Apply Mrs. Cassidy, Monasterevan, Co. Kildare. 29 E

WANTED, Cook General; housemaid kept. Apply between 10 and 4, "Woodhurst," Orwell road, Rathgar. 30 F

WANTED, Cook General, small family, one mile from town.—Robinson, Summergrove, Mountmellick. 30 F

WANTED, Cook General (R.C.) at St. Helier's, Stillorgan Park, Blackrock. 31 A

WANTED for situation near Maryborough, Plain Cook and House and Parlourmaid, or Girl to train as such. Address "Z 3400, Cook," this office.

WANTED, Cook General, doctor's house, Manchester district; two other maids kept; state wages, references required. Address "Z 3436, Cook," this office.

WANTED, good Cook General, country place; help given; no dairy or fowl; two in family. Apply, stating wages and references, to Miss Reynell, Killynon, Killucan, Westmeath. 1 B

YOUNG Cook General (R.C.) Wanted February 15th, family four; no charwoman, separate bedroom; must be highly recommended; wages £36, insurance paid; send copies discharges.—F 1792, this office.

GENERALS WANTED.

CAN lady recommend settled General, small family, Rathmines?—F 1859, this office. 1 F

EXPERIENCED General or Working Housekeeper, R.C., required immediately; good wages suitable person.—27 Clarinda Park, East, Dun Laoghaire.

EXPERIENCED General Wanted for two in family; no washing, very good wages. Apply 6 New Brighton, Monkstown.

EXPERIENCED General (outdoor) Wanted, reliable woman, about 40. Apply between 11-12, 36 Stephen's Green; original papers.

GENERAL Wanted for small family; must be well recommended; city; good wages.—F 1585, this office. 30 F

GENERAL Wanted; must be thoroughly experienced. Apply Royal Hibernian Hotel.

WANTED, strong General, fond of children; good wages.—F 1602, this office. 30 F

WANTED, capable General for Kingstown; wages £25.—B 183, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 30 F

WANTED, reliable settled General, Protestant preferred; good plain cook, small family.—Popham, Sandyford, Dublin. 31 A

WANTED, General for small family; good cook; small washing; settled person preferred.—H 403, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 1 F

WANTED, respectable young General; some washing, plain cooking.—58 Casimir road, Harold's Cross. 1 B

WANTED, a superior, well trained General Servant; no scrubbing or rough work; wages £24. Apply Mrs. Taylor, 7 Prince of Wales terrace, Bray. 1 F

YOUNG General Servant, good plain cook, early riser, no washing or ironing; must be well recommended; £28. Call, before 12, after 7, 19 Kenilworth road, Rathgar. 31 A

YOUNG General Wanted, small family; good wages.—12 Fitzwilliam terrace, Dartry road. 31 E

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

A SINGLE Housemaid Wanted, R.C.; send copies only of discharges.—St. Grellan's, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. 1 F

GIRL Wanted to train House Parlourmaid, tall, good appearance, must sew well; age over 18. Reply, with recommendation, "Z 3320, Girl," this office. 29 E

HOUSEMAID, well trained, Wanted; able to sew and mend, wait at table when required; must be well recommended; for R.C. family, near University town in England, about 1st April; interview in Dublin first week in February; wages £33.—2, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge.

HOUSE Parlourmaid Wanted, Protestant; small family, Tyrone; good wages, comfortable place. Apply Mrs. Acheson, Castlecaulfield, Tyrone. 1 B

HOUSEMAID Wanted, country place; thoroughly experienced; young, capable; wages £40. Address "Z 3454, Maid," this office. 1 B

PARLOURMAID Wanted. Apply to Mrs. Chetwood-Aiken, Woodbrook, Portarlington. 31 A

WANTED, country Girl as House Parlourmaid for Pembroke Township; must be well recommended; state wages.—F 1538, this office. 29 E

WANTED, Protestant Girl, with some experience, train Housemaid.—Miss Hamilton, Hollybrook, Foxrock. 29 E

WANTED, House Parlourmaid; must have experience, but full training not necessary; must sew and mend well; R.C.; wages £24; send copies references. Apply Mrs. Redmond, Carlow House, Monasterevan.

WANTED, two Sisters as House Parlourmaid and Schoolroom Housemaid; partly trained might suit; North County Dublin. Apply with copies references, "Z 3339, Sisters," this office. 29 E

WANTED, House Parlourmaid, thoroughly competent, understand lamps; two in family.—Mrs. Hanbury, Somerstown, Trim. 31 A

WANTED immediately for Dublin, well trained Single Housemaid, Protestant; plain sewing required; four in family; good wages. Apply, and send copies of discharges, F 1809, this office. 1 F

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS, and ATTENDANTS.—Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel.—No. 5258. T

NURSE or Mother's Help (C.I.) wanted for two children, youngest 3 years; Dublin suburbs.—F 1817, this office. 1 F

WANTED, England, nice Girl as Nurse, Protestant; some experience with children.—F 1581, this office. 30 F

WANTED immediately in Dublin, an experienced Infant's Nurse; good references (copies) essential.—F 1727, this office. 31 A

WANTED, young Protestant Nurse, fond of children; well recommended. Address "Z 3390, Nurse," this office. 31 E

WANTED for Howth, experienced Nurse; complete charge of infant and child of 4 years.—F 1679, this office. 29 E

WANTED immediately, experienced Nurse, two children; no washing; good wages.—14 Northumberland road. 1 F

WANTED, young Girl, mind baby, assist housework in flat; references. Call, after 6 p.m., 11 Victoria st., Rathgar. 1 F

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

LADY recommends young Girl, partly trained.—R. O. 1129, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

RESPECTABLE Girl (19) wishes Daily Work; two years last place; North side.—F 1476, this office. 29 E

RESPECTABLE Woman wants Daily Work.—J. Doyle, 16 Findlater st., Sandycove. 29 E

SUPERIOR Working Housekeeper desires post, one or two gentlemen; highly recommended. Address "Z 3385, Housekeeper," this office. 31 E

WORKING Housekeeper—Respectable Girl wishes situation Working Housekeeper, priest or gentleman; 6 years last place; highly recommended; age 37; no objection fowl, small dairy. Address "Z 3424, Housekeeper," this office. 1 B

YOUNG Girl (Protestant) wishes to go as Sewing-maid; neat sewer and darner.—Charlotte Blackburn, Clara. 31 A

YOUNG Girl, I.C., not out before, wishes to be trained for housework in nice place; can get nice reference. Address "Z 3406, Girl," this office. 31 E

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS DISENGAGED.

COOK, plain, singlehanded, take small dairy; highly recommended.—P., 2 Coast Guard Station, Sandymount.

COOK General in small family; good references; or Nurse.—F 1766, this office.

COOK General; good cook; no washing; small family; Kingstown or suburbs preferred.—S. B., 1 Eden road, Adelaide road, Kingstown.

EXCELLENT Cook, highly recommended, R.C.; singlehanded; good manager. Address "Z 3366, Cook," this office. 30 E

EXPERIENCED Cook General, small family; do small laundry; well recommended. Seen 12 Duke street.

GOOD Cook, take dairy; highly recommended.—Rogers, Moorfield road, Newbridge, Kildare. 29 E

LADY highly recommends Cook General; laundress; would go England.—3, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge. 1 F

RESPECTABLE Girl, good Cook General, wishes Outdoor Work; good references.—F 1466, this office. 29 E

SUPERIOR young Cook Housekeeper; small family; suburbs preferred; highest references.—F 1733, this office. 31 A

SINGLEHANDED Cook or Cook General; city, suburbs; recommended.—F 1754, this office.

SUPERIOR Cook General, or General in a quiet family; can be well recommended; own washing.—E. S., 2 Haddington place, Dublin.

GENERALS DISENGAGED.

A STEADY Girl wishes situation, General, small family; highly recommended.—Miss Maggie Doyle, Michael st., Gorey. 1 F

AS superior General, end of February, good cook; wages £30; no washing or scrubbing; capable of taking charge in owner's absence; Kingstown or Dalkey; excellent papers. Address "Z 3438, General Servant," this office.

GENERAL, plain cooking, small family; city, suburbs; well recommended.—F 1756, this office.

GENERAL, plain cooking, small washing; city preferred; well recommended.—F 1760, this office.

GENERAL Servant, plain cooking; city; good references.—F 1763, this office.

GENERAL Servant, country girl; home experience; good references.—F 1764, this office.

LADY recommends good General, small family; small washing; city or suburbs; £24. Apply, between 4 and 5 o'c., 68 Leinster road, Rathmines. 31 E

RESPECTABLE General Servant, Irish Girl, wants situation in Essex; good reference.—731, Irish Times Branch Office, Ranelagh.

WANTED, situation General Servant, small family.—Mary Healy, Clonmore, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. 31 A

YOUNG country Girl, Catholic, wishes to be trained General; no washing; highly recommended. Address "Z 3413, Girl," this office. 31 A

YOUNG General, plain cooking, small washing; city; well recommended.—F 1755, this office.

YOUNG Girl wishes post as General, small family; no washing; wages £16. Address "Z 3426, General," this office.

YOUNG General, plain cooking, no washing, light housework.—F 1761, this office.

YOUNG General, good plain cook; good long references.—F 1767, this office.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED P'maid, also H'maid disengaged, Protestant; excellent refs.—Blackwood's, Lr. Mount st. 29 E

HOUSE Parlourmaid wants situation; suitable Coffee Room Waitress; country preferred. Address "Z 3403, Maid," this office. 31 E

HOUSE Parlourmaid or Housemaid; excellent references; city preferred; small family or institution.—F 1757, this office. 31 E

RESPECTABLE Girl desires situation Housemaid or House Parlourmaid; active, intelligent; small family; city preferred; highly recommended. Call or write, 33 Fitzwilliam square. 1 B

UNDER Housemaid, disengaged when suited; young. Apply A. Callaghan, Ashfield, Beauparc, Co. Meath. 31 A

YOUNG country Girl wishes situation, Second Housemaid, or Single in small house; good discharges; can be highly recommended. Address "Z 3415, Maid," this office. 31 A

YOUNG Girl, R.C., wishes training as House and Parlourmaid; well recommended. Address "Z 3462, Maid," this office. 1 B

NURSES DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED Nurse, R.C., well recommended, infant or young children.—A. Doyle, Kilcroone Lodge, Kilkenny. 29 E

EXPERIENCED young Nurse, disengaged; or Nurse Housemaid.—980, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 1 F

EXPERIENCED Nurse or Useful Maid; can be highly recommended; go to England.—C/o Mrs. Lyons, 60 Marlborough street, Dublin. 31 A

FARMER'S Daughter, go as Children's Maid; P.P. reference. Address "Z 3429, Maid," this office. 1 F

LADY recommends Maid as Nurse Housemaid. Apply 18 Fitzwilliam square. 31 F

YOUNG Lady seeks post daily as Nurse or Nursery Governess; English trained.—725, Irish Times Branch Office, Ranelagh. 29 E

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ALUMINIUM Ware [illegible] The D[illegible] Bachelor's Walk [illegible]

ALL Travelling [illegible] Straps [illegible] William A. [illegible]

BABY Carriage [illegible] coachbuilt [illegible] tubular handles [illegible] £30 model; [illegible] road.

BABY Carriage [illegible] wired-on [illegible] storm apron [illegible] Baby Chairs [illegible] Call and inspect [illegible] Green, Dublin.

DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD.

SCRAP MATERIAL FOR SALE.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board have for sale a quantity of [illegible] cation at the [illegible] between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The materials [illegible]

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Lead [illegible]
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Zinc [illegible]
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Lifebelts [illegible]
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Old [illegible]
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Ten Old Lamps [illegible]

The purchaser [illegible] at present in [illegible] Offers to [illegible] Docks Board [illegible] Tuesday, 13th February, 1923, [illegible] for Scrap." The Board [illegible] highest or any [illegible] Port Engineer [illegible]

DOLL'S H[illegible] sery [illegible] road.

FIRELOGS [illegible] 37/6.—[illegible]

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LARGE Hip Bath [illegible] two.—F [illegible]

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RAILWAY Lost Property [illegible] Suit Cases from 1[illegible] extra.—W. C[illegible]

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DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

To-day's Engagements.

Gaiety Theatre—"Babes in the Wood," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"The Countess Cathleen" and "The Shewing-up of Blanco Posnet," 8.15.
Queen's Theatre—All-Irish Variety Week, 6.45 and 8.45.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"Dick Turpin's Ride to York," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"The Last of the Mohicans," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Grand Central Cinema—"Shadows of the Sea."
Pillar Picture House—"Dangerous Curve Ahead."
Stella Cinema, Rathmines—"Bentley's Conscience."
Princess, Rathmines—"Hearts of Youth."
Kingstown Pavilion—"East is West," 4.10, 6.25, and 8.50 p.m.
Rotunda—Pictures and Varieties.
Stephen's Green Gallery, 7 St. Stephen's Green—"The Sabine Mountains," an Exhibition of Drawings and Woodcuts, 11 to 5 p.m.
All-Ireland Badminton Championships—Ballsbridge, 2 p.m.
Irvine Lynch Concert—Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Dail Eireann, 3 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Lecture, College of Surgeons, 4.30 p.m.
Lecture at Physics Theatre, Earlsfort terrace, 4 p.m.
Tenor Vitale Recital—35 Dawson street, 4.30 p.m.
Statistical and Social Inquiry Society—Plunkett House, 5 p.m.

MARLBOROUGH HALL CONCERT.—The following artistes contributed at a concert given to convalescent National soldiers in Marlborough Hall, Glasnevin, Dublin, yesterday afternoon:—Rob. Duncan and Olive Atkinson, Austen Layton, Dorothy Darlington, Niblo and Doris, Eight Palatine Singers, Gaston Palmer (Theatre Royal), Billy Elley, Noland and Girlie, Tom Hunter, Jim Nolan (Tivoli), and The Sisters Lynch, also Mr. Bolton, of the Theatre Royal, conductor.

PRESENTATION TO DALKEY CHAIRMAN.—Mr. Thomas Dowling, Chairman of the Dalkey Urban and leader of the Labour Party in the Council, was on Wednesday night the recipient of a presentation from the officials. The occasion was in celebration of the conclusion of the Council's triennial term in office. Mr. Treston, Town Clerk, in making the presentation, said that it was a testimonial of the officials' respect and esteem. Mr. Dowling, in returning thanks, referred to the low rates levied in Dalkey, and to the success of the Council's housing scheme.

STORY OF THE QUEST.—Commander Frank Wild, C.B.E., will visit Dublin on March 8th, and tell the story of the Quest, at a public meeting in aid of Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital. The lecture will be illustrated with lantern slides and cinematograph films. It deals with some of the most thrilling episodes in the history of Antarctic exploration.

CANAL BANK DANGERS.—A verdict of accidental death was returned at an inquest yesterday on the body of Thomas Murphy, aged 4, 5 East James's lane, Dublin, who fell into the canal near Baggot street bridge, and was drowned.

CATHOLIC UNION DANCE.—A dance, under the auspices of the Catholic Union, will take place in the Metropole Cinema Theatre Ballroom, Sackville street, Dublin, to-night, from 9.30 p.m. Harrison's band has been engaged.

DOCKER KILLED.—Thomas Smith, docker, Corporation street, Dublin, was killed on board the Lages at Alexandra Basin yesterday by the fall of a steel beam accidentally displaced by a hoist.

EXCISE DISCS ESSENTIAL.—Fines of 10s. and 20s. were inflicted on several motorists prosecuted in Dublin yesterday, for failing to display excise discs. Defendants who did not appear were fined the larger sum.

BOY KILLED BY MOTOR CAR.—Joseph Doyle, aged 8, 2 Leinster avenue, Dublin, was knocked down and killed by a motor car driven by a woman yesterday afternoon.

STOLEN LETTERS FOUND.—Letters which were stolen from the Killiney mail car on Tuesday evening were found yesterday in a field at Glenageary.

DUBLIN LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS.—Twelve vessels were required to take live stock to Great Britain after yesterday's Dublin cattle market.

LEINSTER.

£84 MOTOR TAX FINE.—For neglecting to pay the motor tax on a traction engine, and for failing to furnish the necessary declaration to the local taxation officer, William Laffan, Kereight, Galbally, was fined £84, three times the amount of the unpaid duty, at Wexford. The defendant did not appear.

SOLDIERS IN COUNTY HALL.—National troops have gone into occupation of the County Hall, Wexford, the property of the Wexford County Council, and in which the work of the county administration was carried out. The buildings, which are very commodious, were formerly used as a prison.

MEATH WORKHOUSE ESTIMATE.—County Meath Home and Hospital Committee's estimate is for £84,654—an increase of £6,778 on last year's demand. Home help has increased by £3,000, while there are heavy superannuation charges. Nevertheless, the clerk said that the estimate showed a saving of £20,000 over the old union estimates.

WOULD-BE RECRUITS ARRESTED.—A correspondent says that three men from the Wilkinstown district of County Meath presented themselves at Navan as recruits for the National Army. They were not enrolled, however, but arrested on suspicion of having taken part in highway robberies.

STATION BURGLED.—Bective Railway Station, Co. Meath, was entered during the night, and £3 in cash stolen.

DEATH OF JOURNALIST.—The interment took place in the Cathedral Cemetery, Enniscorthy, yesterday of Mr. Frank Gibbons, a well-known Leinster journalist, whose death occurred in Athy, County Kildare, on Tuesday, after a long illness.

DEATH IN TRAIN.—Patrick Kirwan, aged 50, who was on his way from Liverpool to attend the funeral of his mother at Ferns, County Wexford, died in the Dublin and South-Eastern mail train yesterday morning. The body was taken to Gorey workhouse.

MUNSTER.

COAL LARCENY FROM QUAYS.—John Daly, a Queenstown labourer, was prosecuted at Queenstown yesterday for the larceny of coal from the quays. A witness said a cargo was discharged on Tuesday, and between six and seven tons had been stolen since. Sometimes he lost as much as ten tons from the wharf, or from the carts that transported it to his yards. People made "a regular raid" on coal. It had been going on for the last five years. The defendant was bound over on his own surety of £10 and two sureties of £5, to come up for judgment within twelve months if required. Bartholomew Little, charged with a similar offence, was also bound over. This defendant abused the watchman, and said that he would take the coal in spite of what he could do.

Weather Forecast.

General Inference.—*Secondary depressions arriving from the Atlantic will cause the south-westerly wind to reach gale force at times in exposed places. The weather will continue mild, with much cloud and intermittent rain.*

Ireland.—*N.W., N.E.*—*Fresh to strong south-westerly to westerly winds, a gale at times in exposed places; much cloud; intermittent rain; visibility mainly moderate to good; mild.*

Ireland.—*S.E., S.W.*—*Fresh to strong south-westerly winds, a gale at times in exposed places; much cloud; intermittent rain; visibility moderate; mild.*

All Seaboards. — *South-westerly to westerly winds, strong to a gale; much cloud; intermittent rain; visibility moderate; sea rough.*

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

High Water at Dublin Bar.

To-day	Morning	11.54	Evening	—
To-morrow	„	0.24	„	0.56

Sunrise and Sunset.

To-day	Rises	8.10	Sets	5. 8
To-morrow	„	8. 9	„	5.10

LIGHTING-UP TIME .... 6.8. P.M.

THE DESERTED HARBOUR.—The Clyde Shipping Company's tug Foam, which has been operating in Cork Harbour for many years, has left for the Clyde, as insufficient towage offers in Queenstown. The towage service in Cork Harbour now comprises the locally owned boat, the Stormcock, and the Dutch tug, Zwartee Zee, but the latter is frequently engaged in salvage work in the North Atlantic. In an emergency, however, the Government tug, Dainty, attached to Haulbowline Dockyard, is available.

CONNAUGHT.

MISSING TRAVELLER.—Anxiety is felt by the relatives of Mr. Morris, a Belfast commercial traveller, representing a Glasgow firm, of whom nothing has been heard since his arrival in Sligo a fortnight ago.

ULSTER.

County Monaghan National Teachers' Association recommends that the following resolution shall be put on the agenda at the forthcoming Congress:—"That no new rule, making a levy for a political election fund compulsory on members of the I.N.T.O., be made until the relations between the I.N.T.O. and the Labour Party be defined by Congress; and that Congress take into consideration the bearing of any such new rule upon Rule 4." They desire that the Congress shall be held in Dublin.

"WOODMAN, SPARE THE TREE."—Notices purporting to have been issued by the I.R.A. have been posted in the Ballytrain (Co. Monaghan) district, warning the public not to cut down or take away trees on the Fitzherbert demesne. The Fitzherbert mansion was burned down some time ago.

22 MILES WALK TO COURT.—At Ballyconnell (Co. Cavan), Quarter Sessions, Francis M'Manus, Derrytrasna, brought an ejectment process against his son, Philip M'Manus, in respect of dwellinghouse and land, which was subsequently amended to dwellinghouse and half the land. The plaintiff said that his son took forcible possession of the house, and refused to leave. The defendant said that his father asked him to go and live with him, which he did. He did all the work. He had walked 22 miles to attend the court, and arrived on the previous night. His sister was the cause of the trouble. She was trying to get him out of the place. He would agree to take money to the value of half the land. The case was adjourned to the next session for the purpose of enabling a valuation to be made, the defendant to live in the house in the meantime.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

SOUTH DOWN ROADS.—Out of the funds which have been received by the Down County Council from the Government of Northern Ireland in respect of classified roads for the year ended March 31 last, £25,000 remains unspent, and the County Council propose that this sum should be expended on road work in the ensuing financial year. It has been allocated in accordance with the road estimate for next year, and Kilkeel Rural District Council has been notified that it will benefit to the extent of £2,070, which the County Surveyor proposes should be expended on steam-rolling on the Kilkeel to Rostrevor and the Kilkeel to Greencastle roads. Before authorising the expenditure of the money, the Commissioner in charge of the Kilkeel rural district has decided to inquire if it will reduce the actual necessary proposals for next year.

DISPENSARY DOCTORS' GRIEVANCES.—Lurgan Guardians yesterday considered the terms of a petition passed by 26 local doctors, and sent to the Northern Ministry for Home Affairs, requesting it to take steps to arrange a system of graded salaries for the workhouse dispensary doctors in Northern Ireland, and calling attention to the salaries paid in Lurgan Union. It was stated that hitherto applications made to the Board had been either refused, or the increases granted had been almost negligible. Reference is made to "the ridiculous salaries given to the medical officers recently appointed to the dispensaries in Moira and Tartaraghan, in the Lurgan Union." The Board decided to take no action pending a reply from the Ministry.

OMAGH NURSING ASSOCIATION.—At the annual meeting of the Omagh Nursing Association the report submitted by the Hon. Secretary (Mrs. Browne) showed that £55 had been received by annual subscriptions, £29 from house-to-house collections, £18 through the winding-up of three local societies, and two sums of £50 from the Red Cross Society. Mrs. Browne was re-elected Hon. Secretary and Mr. A. Sproull Hon. Treasurer. The following were elected to form the Committee:—Mrs. Battersby, Miss Johnston, Miss Devlin, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Shields, Mrs. Macafee, Mrs. Morrow, and Mrs. R. H. Carson.

COLERAINE HARBOUR'S NEW PILOTS.—Coleraine Harbour Board met on Wednesday to licence two pilots to fill the vacancies caused by the drowning of James Doherty and Alexander Millar off Portstewart on January 6. There were 43 candidates, and Andrew Logan, jun., and James Doherty, both of Portstewart, were selected. Both are the sons of pilots, Doherty's father being the late James Doherty.

FAILED TO HALT.—Patrick Sheridan, aged 60, Fountain street, Bessbrook, was shot dead by a police patrol at Mount Caulfield on Wednesday night after "Curfew" hour. He was seen in the avenue leading to the house, and was called upon to halt, but immediately ran into the cover of some bushes. After several calls shots were fired, and Sheridan was found shot through the head. At the inquest yesterday the jury found that the shots were fired by the police in the execution of their duty.

OPERA HOUSE ROWDYISM.—Three men were ordered one month's imprisonment and to find bail for future good behaviour at Belfast Police Court yesterday for riotous behaviour at Belfast Opera House. The prisoners and nine other men rushed into the Opera House and forced their way past the attendant without producing tickets. The Resident Magistrate said that such conduct would have to be stopped.

COOKSTOWN MURDER PETITION.—An extensively-signed petition is being presented to the Governor of Northern Ireland, praying for the reprieve of William Rooney, who has been sentenced to death for the murder of Miss Johnston at Cookstown in November. The execution has been fixed for next Thursday. The grounds of the petition are that the condemned man was demented through drinking methylated spirits; that the crime was unpremeditated, and that it had not robbery or immorality as a motive.

CHILD'S DEATH FROM BURNS.—At an inquest in Banbridge on the body of Etta Irene Robinson, aged 4, of Drimnavaddy, who died from burns caused by her nightdress catching fire, the mother said that she applied baking soda and buttermilk to the injuries. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

ENNISKILLEN WORKHOUSE TO BE CLOSED.—Enniskillen Guardians have decided to close the workhouse and "board-out" the forty inmates. The upkeep of the institution, including the hospitals, costs £5,052 a year. After allowing for the cost of boarding-out and pensions to officers it is estimated that there will be a saving of £1,408.

DEATH OF MR. W. C. CARR.—A large circle will learn with regret of the death of Mr. William C. Carr. His death will be a great loss to the Killyleagh and Killinchy Farming Society, of which he was hon. secretary. He was a steward of the Down Hunt Steeplechases, and Master of the East Down Harriers.

LURGAN WORKHOUSE CHAPLAIN.—By order of the Northern Ministry for Home Affairs, the Very Rev. M. McConville, Roman Catholic Chaplain of the Lurgan Workhouse, has been removed from his office owing to his failure to take the oath of allegiance.

STRABANE HIRING FAIR.—There was an unusually small attendance of servants at Strabane quarterly hiring fair yesterday, and the supply was not equal to the demand. Agricultural labourers received £7 10s. to £8 10s. for the quarter; strong youths from £5 to £6, and girls from £3 10s. to £4 10s.

COUNTY DOWN SHRIEVALTY.—Mr. Edmond Henry Stuart Nugent, of Portaferry House, Portaferry, County Down, has been sworn in in London as High Sheriff of the County of Down.

KILKEEL RENTS RAISED.—The Commissioner in Charge of the Kilkeel (County Down) Rural District, has decided to raise the rents of all labourers' cottages in the district to 1s. 9d. a week from April 1st.

TRAM FARES MAY COME DOWN.—The Lord Mayor of Belfast, at the monthly meeting of Belfast Corporation yesterday, forecasted an early reduction in the tramcar fares.

BRICKWORKS STRIKE.—Following a proposed reduction of wages at Sir Samuel Kelly's fireclay works at Coalisland, and Dungannon brickworks, a hundred men have gone on strike.

DERRY INFIRMARY FINANCES.—At a meeting of the Derry Infirmary Board the Secretary reported that the total income for last year was £5,787 and the total expenditure £7,129. Management expenses showed a decrease of £2,612. There was a falling off in church collections.

A telegram from Biskra to a Paris newspaper states that Aviator Barbot has beaten the recent gliding record established by M. Maynerol, by remaining in the air 8 hours 36 minutes and 55 seconds. The flight was not officially timed.

Books of the Week.

THE HOUSE OF HOWARD.

Miss Richardson tells the romantic story of the House of Howard in a fashion which commands the attention of the reader. She begins the tale of the Norfolk line with the year 957, and that of the Suffolk line with the year 1603, the memorable time when the Stuart dynasty began to sit upon the throne. There are sixteen illustrations, and these enhance the value of these two volumes.

Miss Richardson opens her account with a reference to Hereward, or Howard, who flourished in the days of Edgar. We wish, however, that she had shown the connection more clearly between this Howard and the present family. To be quite frank, we feel extremely sceptical when we read these long pedigrees. The truth is that in England there are not at this moment half a dozen families who can trace their descent from the companions of William the Conqueror in a direct line, though, if we believe some of the family histories, the followers of William I. must have been more than the sands of the seashore. The early part of the history of the Howards is the weakest part of the writing of the author. Her two volumes run to more than six hundred pages, and it was with a shock that we saw on Page 35 that we were already at the fifteenth century.

The first Duke of Norfolk fought and died by the side of Richard on the field of Bosworth. The Duke tried to make a movement to encircle Henry's left wing, but the Earl of Oxford was too much for him. Nor does Miss Richardson omit details of family budgets. We congratulate her on the care with which she has reproduced "The Booke of Emptions particuler ffaro and expensus of thoushold of the right high and mightye Prynce Thomas, Duc of Norff, high Threasure of Endgland from 1 Oct. 13. Henry VIII. to Sep. 19 H. VIII", for it gives most interesting details on the scale of living from the year 1526 to 1527. Certainly hospitality was practised on a right royal scale, for we find that on December 30th, 1526, there were fourteen guests and their thirty servants stopping in the house, and in addition there were present no fewer than two hundred persons from the country side.

The Earl of Surrey gained the decisive victory of Flodden Field, where the flower of the Scots nobility perished. As a reward for his services the dukedom, of which the Howards had been deprived by the victor of Bosworth, was restored. The Earl of Surrey or the Duke of Norfolk had two sons, Lord Edward and Lord Thomas Howard, and they in turn distinguished themselves by their valour against Sir Andrew Barton, the famous pirate. The British Navy, as we all know, is largely the creation of Henry VIII. At the same time, it is clear that before his days our shores were infested with pirates. Indeed, if we come to a far later date, Strafford, on his way to Dublin, was almost taken captive by the pirates of Algiers.

During the first half of the seventeenth century the shores of the South of Ireland were seldom free from these pests. We can, therefore, well believe that the shores of England stood in danger in the year 1511 from the activities of Sir Andrew Barton, a Scots naval captain, who held a roving commission from James IV. to recover a debt due to him by the Portuguese. Barton was not particular in confining his attentions to Portuguese ships, and the result was that merchantmen complained of his doings. These complaints were coldly received by the Royal Council. Moved with indignation, the Duke of Norfolk declared that "while he had an estate to furnish a ship, or a son capable to command one, the narrow seas should not be infested," by Sir Andrew Barton or any other. He fitted out two ships, putting his two sons in command of them.

Miss Richardson stirs us by her account of the encounter. A ballad on Barton, who lost his life, begins thus: "Lord Howard then a letter wrote, and sealed it with a seale and ring." This very ring, we learn, which is now at Arundel Castle, is an old Roman one, and on it is cut the Blanch Lion of Mowbray, a badge which had been used by John, first Duke of Norfolk.

Thomas, fourth Duke of Norfolk, was appointed by Elizabeth to preside over the commission which sat in order to investigate the charges against the unfortunate Mary Queen of Scots. Here Miss Richardson digresses to tell the tale of the Scots Queen, and we follow her example. We hear of Mary's tender womanly ways, the ready tear, the sparkling eye, the manly courage, the easy wit, and the wonderful charm which Mary possessed. In spite of her tender, womanly ways she was able, after her last defeat, to mount on her saddle and gallop for ninety miles, only pausing in her flight to change her horse, a feat which few men of the present day could rival.

Miss Richardson makes much of the bitter and undying hatred which Elizabeth exhibited to Mary, and, of course, it is quite likely that the charm and the winsomeness of Mary did not diminish this hatred. The facts are plain, and they are these. Mary had virtually claimed the throne of England, and Elizabeth, who was much more of a stateswoman than a woman, knew that there was no safety for her till Mary died. As Lord Saye remarked on Strafford, "Stone dead hath no fellow." Of this Miss Richardson herself affords a proof. For she admits that the Duke was won over. Did he not admit that "I must ingenuously confess I have failed in my duty towards the Queen, but not so as to amount to high treason"?

We give a letter of March 19, 1570, which Mary wrote to him: "Mine own good lord, I have foreborne thys long tyme to wryte to you, in respect of the dangers in oft wryting, which you seem to feare. But I must remember you of your own at tymes, as occasion serveth, and let you know continuence of my truthe to you—but if you minde not to shrynke at the matter, I will dye and lyve with you if not in prison—for neyther prison the one way, nor lybertie the other, nor all such accydence, good or badde, shall perswade me to start from that fayth and obedience I have promised you,—but your fortune shall be myne: therefore in all thynge let me know your mynde." The truth is that all thoughtful readers fall into the dilemma of Sir Walter Scott when they deal with Mary's fortunes. He was asked to write her life, and he refused, saying, "My heart leans one way and my head another."

Miss Richardson writes agreeably on Lord Howard of Effingham, who played such a notable part in the defeat of the Spanish Armada. It always seems to us not a little curious that so much is written about the Armada of 1588, and so little about the far more formidable Armada of 1596, when the winds really blew and the Spanish vessels were scattered. Miss Richardson is clearly right in saying so much about the Armada of 1588; for she is concerned with the fortunes of Lord Howard, not with the fortunes of England. Everyone who has been in the House of Lords remembers the fine tapestry giving the figure of the victor of the Spanish Armada.

The annals of the Suffolk line are detailed at length, but we are afraid that they are not nearly so interesting as those of the Norfolk line. Still, Miss Richardson gives us many old letters which are always worth reading. These letters supplement much that we glean from other sources, and we read them with joy.

The Howards, like the Cecils, attained the greatness of their house during the sixteenth century. Since then their tale has been that of one of the many noble families of England which quietly do their duty. It is not so thrilling a story as their early days, but it is no less necessary. Happy is the country which has no history, and, from this point of view, happy, thrice happy, are the annals of the House of Howard. It is with a thrill that we read that the nineteenth Earl of Suffolk laid down his life in the Great War. The thrill comes from the realisation of the many generations of a noble house who have tried to serve their God and their country.

"The Lion and the Rose." By E. M. Richardson. London: Hutchinson and Co. Two Vols. 32/- net.

SOME NEW ESSAYS.

It is a distinct pleasure to recommend this book to our readers. It consists of twenty-two essays, or articles of various length, written in different styles and upon different subjects. The first essay, which gives its title to the volume, is geographical in its treatment and quite original in its conception. The writer describes the different places which a maiden cousin, an old uncle and he himself would like to visit, and in this manner agreeably imparts much out-of-the-way information. The last essay, on the other hand, is historical, and deals with the interesting subject of Mediæval Provence. These two are the longest and the most important in the collection.

The essay on "Greek Thomson," a famous Glasgow architect, is only of interest to Scotsmen, who are acquainted with his designs. Two essays, entitled "People Passing" and "Pleasure Streets," are devoted to descriptions of Glasgow and its inhabitants and history. They are brilliant pieces of writing which will amply repay study. As for the rest of the book, that consists of short literary articles on Thackeray, Donne, Light in Poetry, and other kindred subjects.

Mr. William Power is a Scottish journalist, well known from his connection with the *Glasgow Herald*. A former book of his, "Specimen Days in Strathclyde," was well received, and dealt largely with Glasgow, where his life has been passed. As an essayist Mr. Power deserves a high place. He is evidently a very widely read man, but quite free from pedantry. His style is light, but informative, and is not wanting in either wit or humour; but these are kept in their proper place, with happy results. Of course, there will always remain a wide difference in literary taste. Still, if we mistake not, a very large proportion of those who read this volume will recommend it to others. A short extract—the opening passage of the essay on Ritual—will convey some idea of Mr. Power's graphic style: "All the world was a stage to the melancholy Jaques, and probably, also, to Shakespeare. It was an oyster to the swords of Alexander the Great, of that wonderful man, Caius Julius Cæsar, and of that still more wonderful man, Napoleon Bonaparte. It was a Royal Court to Louis XIV., a seraglio to Louis XV., a drill ground to "Old Fritz," a wardrobe to George IV. and Kaiser William II., a nest of malignant fools to Voltaire, a "wall" to Rousseau, a menagerie to Buffon, an "idea" to Berkeley, a categorical imperative to Kant, a biological problem to Darwin, a theocracy to Mahomet and Knox, a scented garden to Keats, a factory to Bright and Cobden, mainly an artistic blunder to Whistler, Prussia to Bismarck, the British Empire to Cecil Rhodes, and Sodom and Gomorrah to the Rev. Robert Murray McCheyne."

The last remark is typical of Mr. Power's detestation of Calvinism, which, indeed, he carries to extremes. An error almost too trivial to notice occurs at Page 173, where he attributes Disraeli's remark that "when he wanted to read a novel he wrote one" to Mark Twain.

"The World Unvisited." By William Power. London: Gowans and Gray. 6/- net.

SHAKESPEARE TO HARDY.

That it constitutes a "monument of a nation's strength" is what Matthew Arnold affirms of a certain well-known collection of lyrics. "Shakespeare to Hardy," the second compilation which we owe to Sir Algernon Methuen, demonstrates how that strength has continued to our own day. An anthology, as Mr. Robert Lynd observes in an introduction, is largely a revelation of personal likes and dislikes, and a portion of the reader's interest lies in noting where his opinions coincide, and where they are at variance, with those which he finds expressed. Of course, this will hold only if, as is here the case, the essential design of the work be not to furnish material for comparative study, but simply to please. In the pursuance of the latter aim, it may be remarked, Sir Algernon Methuen is so thorough as even to abridge poems in which the inspiration exhibits a tendency to flag. His selection, in general, shows a fine discrimination. Their due meed of prominence is ceded to the great masters. Ample and judicious, the excerpts from Shakespeare include some fourteen of the sonnets. We missed, however, the magic lines of Milton's "Penseroso," and of its complement, the "Allegro"; while the monody "Thyrsis" might have been added to the "Scholar Gipsy."

Specimens from the Anglo-Irish school are presented, and besides Mangan's "Dark Rosaleen"—that plaintive song which ends in such a wonderful outburst of passion—we have quotations from Dr. Yeats, Padraic Colum and James Stephens. The excellent "Anon." is by no means overlooked. A question of moment in anthologies is that of arrangement, which in text-books is usually chronological. In the present instance it follows the alphabetical order of the writers' names, a circumstance which makes for overwhelming variety. "Belloc comes next the Bible, George Herbert rubs shoulders with Henley, Kipling treads on Lamb, and Rossetti on Sassoon." Eminently adapted to reference, the volume is sure to prove an unfailing source of joy to its possessor.

"Shakespeare to Hardy." An Anthology of English Lyrics. Chosen by A. Methuen. London: Methuen. 6/- net.

ABBEY PLAYS.

It is a merit of these Abbey Theatre plays that they not only stand the test of the footlights, but of the printed page. It is true that comedies like "Meadowsweet" and "The Spell" lose something—perhaps, a good deal—off the stage. Much of their amusing dialogue consists in chaffing and banter, sometimes with a spice of malice, and this is never so effective and entertaining in print as on the stage.

The situation in "Meadowsweet" is simple. It turns on the efforts of two warm farmers each to get a labourer's plot and cottage planted on the other's land, a situation which Johnny Claffey, the labourer, handles to his own advantage with considerable skill in the red head of him.

In "The Spell" there is a comic blending of the romantic and the matter-of-fact and ridiculous, as in two well-known comedies of the Ulster Players, and in "The Midsummer Night's Dream." A travelling umbrella mender and his wife are beset by fairies in an old rath at nightfall—the Lepracaun, the Bean Sidhe, the Lenaun Sidhe, and Far Darrig. These all talk and behave in character, and a certain illusion of reality is maintained till, in the end, it turns out to be a dream. Heraty awakes, pokes up the fire, and sees Mrs. Heraty beside him, convincing proof of prosaic reality, and the curtain rings down on him nodding his head resignedly: "That was a dream, I suppose, an' now I'm back to the same ould nightmare again."

Mr. T. C. Murray's "Aftermath" is a drama in which, though it ends in tragedy, the tragic element is not over-pressed. A young schoolmaster, Myles O'Regan, is in love with Grace Sheridan, and, as she returns his affection, the promise is fair for a happy ending. But the mother of Myles, whose passion to recover the old lost farmhouse of the O'Regans is stronger even than her love for Myles, wrecks the relations between the lovers, and induces Myles, in a fit of misery and despair, to marry Mary Hogan, who had the coveted farm for dower. Sometimes marriage, even in such circumstances, cures a man; but it wrought otherwise in Myles. He lost his power of vision and hope, and sank into hardness and misanthropic moodiness—a fatal drift for a teacher of youth. Finally, in a last uprising of soul and to save his soul, he goes away from his house he knows not whither, and the door shuts behind him on the two women, his wife and his mother, left to their grief and unavailing regret. Mr. Murray handles the various situations skilfully and with sympathetic understanding of the mentality of his characters. He awakens our pity for lives that have missed their way, and, without pointing a moral, enforces it by a poignant tale.

"Aftermath." By T. C. Murray. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 3/6 net.
"Meadowsweet." By Seumas O'Kelly. "The Spell." By Bernard Duffy. Dublin: The Talbot Press: 1/- each net.

LONDON.

To portray the wonderful glamour of London is the end which the authoress seeks to achieve in these "Vignettes," her method being to describe the inspection of some notable places in the City; yet with such art does she handle her two characters that she has evolved, so to speak, an inchoate novel. We are introduced first to one Cordelia Wellbeloved, who is an elderly spinster of highly sensitive imagination. In a visit to Madame Tussaud's the lady is suddenly accosted by a mysterious, and somewhat loquacious, stranger, who seems to own a "sunless treasury" of recondite knowledge.

This man, who constitutes the problem of the narrative, is reticent concerning himself, though he intimates that "joking is his profession." He makes an unaccountable disappearance, but later she again encounters him in the courtyard of the old Grey Coat Hospital. When asked his name he furnishes the suggestive one of Lemure. His close and lively descriptions make his companion feel as if translated bodily to the magic "days that are no more." The pair subsequently go to see the Temple, where the "thick-coming fancies" aroused in her by Lemure's discourse produce their effect on Cordelia, so that she draws a deep breath of relief on emerging into Fountain Court, "bright with the sunshine of to-day."

Cordelia's mind is continually being influenced by Lemure in an uncanny manner, and in Covent Garden nine poor "anile souls" engaged in the prosaic task of shelling peas become, for her, spell-weaving sybils. The Tower is embraced in the "round," and Lemure reconstructs that "most arch act of piteous massacre," the murder of the young Princes. To the end the question of the weird, masterly cicerone stands unsettled; however, Cordelia herself has a shrewd, if startling, solution. Fraught with a subtle tragedy, and bearing evidence of a passion for "retroversion," the book will appeal to all, but more especially such as know, or desire to know, London.

Mr. Milton, with aims of a more utilitarian order, presents a "guide for people in a hurry." His book forms an eminently readable compendium of up-to-date information about the Metropolis, and contains a number of detailed and helpful maps. It is dedicated to Mr. George Belcher, whose inimitable pencil is responsible for the frontispiece.

"London Vignettes." By Sophie Cole. London: Mills and Boon. 4/- net.
"London in Seven Days." By Arthur Milton. London: Mills and Boon. 5/- net.

THE PATH TO FREEDOM.

When at his best, Michael Collins writes like an Anglo-Saxon, in the thoughts of a man and in the language of a child, with words of only one syllable. For example: "We grew to think of love of our land and all that it had given us, and had still to give us, and what we could make of it when it was our own once more."—P. 63. The same naïveté leads him sometimes on to delicate ground, as in this: "If we would be spiritually free we must be nationally free."—P. 60. Unfortunately for his purpose, he attacks Ulster, and attempts a diminishing estimate of her as a reason for uniting her with the rest of Ireland. Like Deputy Milroy, in "The Case of Ulster," he would say to her: "You are poor and weak and worthless; therefore, unite with us." In private life, no man expects to arrange a desirable partnership by first insulting the intended partner. It would not be human nature. Is it not strange how leading men, in dealing with masses, forget the motives which move individuals? It seems to be assumed that when a large number of individuals are collected together, they cease to be the same individuals as they were before, and become governable by some law, or lawlessness, not known to the current canons of their social creed. How much more true, and to the purpose, it would be to address Ulster: "We greatly value the help you could give in creating and defending a great and united Irish nation." These writers do not say what they would do for Ulster if she joined up. They merely suggest what they wish to do against her if she refuse. Their definition of a united Ireland makes Ulster both a slave and a coward, so that every book they write goes to make the partition wider and deeper. Is there any other country where a man writes "a book with a purpose" and directs every sentence to defeat the avowed purpose of the book?

"The Path to Freedom." By Michael Collins. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 3/6 net.

AN ANTHOLOGY.

Mrs. Waldo Richards's "High Tide" is an anthology of verses from present-day poets. It is an anthology with a purpose, for Mrs. Richards has selected only those poems "that make special appeal by their emphasis of inspiration, joy, and vision, so necessary to our every-day living." Poems that treat of things ugly or gloomy or tragic are excluded, as also poems of the narrative and the metaphysical class.

The selection appears to us judicious and admirable for the specific purpose in view. There are quotations from about one hundred and twenty poets—British, Irish and American. The Irish poets laid under tribute are A. E., Eva Gore-Booth, Padraic Colum, Francis Ledwidge, W. M. Letts, Denis McCarthy, Moira O'Neill, James Stephens, Katharine Tynan, and W. B. Yeats. Aside from the inspirational value of the poems quoted, Mrs. Richards's collection will be of service to many readers by introducing to them many living poets with whose work they may be unacquainted. There is a useful index of the poets quoted and the titles of their books.

"High Tide." Compiled by Mrs. Waldo Richards. London: Duckworth. 6/- net.

THE GREAT WELL.

"The Great Well," in which Mr. Matheson Lang is at present playing in London, is one of those plays which depends to a large extent on the actors for its success. The characters are only lightly sketched in; but there are plenty of dramatic incidents which ought to stage well, and the dialogue is fresh and pleasing. Mr. Sutro has been guilty of introducing a curious episodic plot towards the end. The story which Peter relates, to explain his difficulty in dealing with his wife's supposed lover, does not really belong to the play. It does not "follow from that which goes before"; yet it alters the *dénouement* considerably. This is a technical error which all the author's attention to the unity of time cannot condone.

"The Great Well." By Alfred Sutro. London: Duckworth. 3/- net.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

OGLAIGH NA hEIREANN.

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THE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS COMMITTEE, in conjunction with the MINISTER FOR DEFENCE, are prepared to receive TENDERS for the SUPPLY to the MILITARY BARRACKS at Dublin, The Curragh, Gormanstown, Athlone, Kilmallock, Mallow, Kilkenny, Clonmel, Maryboro', Longford, Galway, Templemore, Carlow, Waterford, Sligo, Dundalk, Ballyshannon, Tuam, Castlebar, Mullingar, Stranorlar, Gorey, Wexford, Buncrana, Boyle, Drogheda, Wicklow, Naas, Tipperary, Roscrea, Clones, Belturbet, Trim, and Enniscorthy of the Articles set out below, for the period ending 31st MARCH, 1923.

1. Bread.
2. Sugar.
3. Beef.
4. Mutton.
5. Eggs.
6. Bacon.
7. Do.
8. Sausages.
9. Milk.
10. Potatoes.
11. Turnips.
12. Parsnips.
13. Onions.
14. Oatmeal.
15. Jams (Assorted).
16. Pickles.
17. Sauce (Thick).
18. Do.
19. Kandee Sauce.
20. Do.
21. Macaroni.
22. Salt (Table).
23. Salt (Kitchen).
24. Bully Beef.
25. Tinned Salmon.

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No Tender will be considered unless furnished on the printed Form of Tender, nor will any Tender be considered on which any alteration of the Form has been made, or which does not contain the signatures and full addresses of the Tenderer and of his Sureties.

Tenders must be enclosed in SEALED ENVELOPES, marked with number of item or items tendered for, and addressed to the SECRETARY, Government Contracts Committee, Government Buildings, Upper Merrion street, Dublin, and delivered at his Office before 1 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1923.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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6. Handkerchiefs.
7. Sets of Web Equipment.
8. Towels.
9. Blankets.
10. Braces.
11. Ground Sheets.
12. Gloves.
13. Cardigan Jackets.
14. Mugs (Enamel).
15. Plates (do.).
16. Knives.
17. Forks.
18. Spoons.
19. Clothes Brushes.
20. Hair Brushes.
21. Boot Brushes.
22. Combs.
23. Kit Bags.
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Standard Samples may be inspected at the Post Offices in the following places:—Cork, Limerick, Waterford, and Athlone; and in the PILLAR ROOM, Mansion House, Dublin (entrance by side door).

N.B.—THE COMMITTEE HAVE DECIDED TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR RECEIVING TENDERS UNTIL WEDNESDAY, THE 7th FEBRUARY, 1923.

RECENT FICTION.

Captain Hugo Spenser is recuperating in Venice after war wounds when he is kidnapped by a spendthrift count and the latter's wicked mother, who torture him to make him give them cheques. He has no friends to worry about his absence—merely a large bank deposit. He is imprisoned in a dreadful chamber, but writes an extraordinarily long letter, which he puts into a very small tabloid bottle and throws into a canal. It is picked up three years later on the shore of the Adriatic by Norah Deane. The happy ending is inevitable. Norah finds the bottle quite early in the book, but the authoress has such a vivid imagination, and invents incidents with such facility—the clue of the Venetian cat which responded to the call of "puss" instead of the Italian *micio* is capital—that this good adventure story holds the reader to the end. There are some nice impressions of Venice and Venetian life.

"A Wreath of Stars." By Louise Gerard. London: Mills and Boon. 7/6 net.

The murder of the mysterious occupant of the Bungalow—one von Rheinhart—occurs in the first chapter; and the discovery made by Dr. Roger Lavington of a beautiful young girl concealed near the body, and showing every evidence of guilt, provides sufficient material for melodrama. The doctor's chivalry outweighs his sense of justice, and the girl escapes through his aid. Of course, the astute reader will believe in the innocence of beauty, and share Roger's earnest desire to save her all unpleasantness, while several other "suspects" appear upon the scene at intervals. The tale is good of its kind, but somewhat marred in the telling by slipshod English.

"The Bungalow Mystery." By Annie Haynes. Lane. 7/6 net.

The charm of an historical novel usually lies in the manner of telling, for the story itself is not original, and can be read elsewhere. In "For France," however, Mr. Gerard seems to think that the story which he has found of Henry of Navarre and his followers is good enough, and the cursory descriptions, dialogues and explanations with which it is interspersed are extremely dull reading. Most of the additional incidents, too, are of the stereotype kind. Secret passages, the rescue of the heroine by the hero at the eleventh hour, and the hero's prowess in the deciding battle are the principal features of this book.

"For France." By Morice Gerard. Odhams. 7/6 net.

During her four years at Girton, Cyrilla, the heroine of Mr. Burgin's new novel, had developed one side of her character at the expense of those more truly feminine qualities which lay dormant within her. How she at length became aware of her real character through contact with others less fortunate than herself; how she traversed the thorny path of love, and incidentally saved an eminent K.C. from the soul-destroying bonds of opium, is, briefly, the theme of this novel. Mr. Burgin is here as delightful as ever, and his minor characters, no less than the principal ones, have a fascination of their own.

"Cyrilla Seeks Herself." By G. B. Burgin. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.

This book affords a good study of an American self-made millionaire. Fielding Glinden rises from obscure poverty to the position of power that money commands, aided by an ambitious and resourceful wife—and herein lies his tragedy. The driving-power of Beth is at first valued, and later resented. Fielding's inner self accords ill with a business life, and his longing to find expression through some branch of creative art is poignant at times. The book contains some clever characterisation.

"Gold Shod." By Newton Fuessle. Leonard Parsons. 7/6 net.

This is another delightful farce from Mr. Dornford Yates, and the adventures of his motoring party in France, led by the resourceful "Berry," are mirth-provoking upon every page. Mr. Yates's holiday atmosphere is excellent, and he endows the rival cars, "Ping" and "Pong," with personalities of their own. Not the least attractive of the group is "Nobby," the sagacious Sealyham, who takes a leading part in many of their exploits.

"Jonah and Co." By Dornford Yates. Ward, Lock. 7/- net.

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Ministry of Industry and Commerce.
The Ministry has arranged with the promoters of the
Daily Mirror International Fashion Fair
(to be held in London from the 16th to 28th April, 1923), for an exhibit composed of a limited range of Irish Industrial products, consistent with the general character of the Exhibition.
The articles to be exhibited fall under the following descriptions of goods, namely,
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The Real Horatio Bottomley. By H. J. Houston. London: Hurst and Blackett. 4/6 net.
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New Edition.

Jurgen. By J. B. Cabell. London: Lane. 7/6 net.

Fiction.

The Puzzle. By Lee Thayer. Hurst and Blackett. 7/6 net.
Their Chosen People. By C. A. Nicholson. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.
Assent. By Frances Rumsey. Lane. 7/6 net.
Green Butterflies. By Roy Bridges. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.
A Daughter of the Star. By Alexander MacFarlan. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.
Vine Leaves. By Lenore Van der Veer. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.
The Watsons: A Fragment. By Jane Austen; Concluded by L. Oulton. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.

Miscellaneous.

The Constitution of Canada. By W. P. M. Kennedy, M.A., Litt.D., T.C.D. Oxford: The University Press. 25/- net.
The Life and Teaching of Jesus the Christ. By the Right Rev. A. C. Headlam. London: Murray. 12/- net.
Siwa: The Oasis of Jupiter Ammon. By C. Dalrymple Belgrave. London: Lane. 15/- net.
These Liberties. By Evoe. London: Methuen. 4/6 net.
The Handling of Words. By Vernon Lee. London: Lane. 5/6 net.

SANDOWN PARK.

POLISSON SCORES CLEVERLY.

GERALD L.'S FINE DISPLAY.

The sport at Sandown yesterday was not nearly so attractive as on the opening afternoon; still we had one very fine display on the part of a potential Grand National candidate. This was Gerald L. in the Prince of Wales's Steeplechase. The distance was three and a half miles, so that it was a fair test of stamina, though, of course, Sandown is a long way removed from the severe Aintree track. However, Gerald L. did all he was asked to do, and he could do no more. I was much struck with the smart, bold way in which he took his fences, and he was going better at the finish than at any other portion of the race. Mr. Whitaker had been very sweet on the prospects of Silvo, who, for a long way, was in front and did really well, but without having the least chance with the winner in the end, whilst Vico would not have scored even without his 7lb. penalty.

Sir Hedworth Meux appears to own a smart recruit to hurdling in Camaralzaman, who, in making his *début* over the jumps in the Village Selling Hurdle, won in very taking style. He leaves Hunt's stable, being sold to Mrs. Dorothy Hailes, a patron of Hyams, for 330 guineas.

Bell Toll has been repeatedly offered for sale recently without attracting a bid, and, running for the Ripley Steeplechase, he broke down. The race was taken by Triple Blue in the colours of the Epsom trainer, W. Nightingall, who is having quite a successful season.

There was every reason to anticipate the success of Polisson in the Cardinal's Hurdle, for he had been very kindly treated on his latest form. Donnelly exercised admirable judgment in his handling of him, making his effort between the last two hurdles, and cleverly resisting the challenge of Sea Voyage. For a long way Yahna was in front, but failed subsequently to stay.

King David was a notable absentee from the February Four-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle, and in his absence it proved an equally good thing for High Force, who, along with Austin Friars, drew clear away, the pair racing together to the straight, where the latter crashed.

I hear that Mrs. Palmer will not decide whether to run King Pippin in the Lincolnshire Handicap until her return from the South of France in ten days' time.

Jockeys for Manchester to-day:—Smashaway, L. Rees; Morning Star, Leader; Sans Doute, F. Rees.

1.30—VILLAGE (S.) HURDLE RACE of £200. 2 m.

Sir H. Meux's ch. c. CAMARALZAMAN, by Swynford—Sylvania, 6, 11-7 ......A. Escott 1
Mr. Goodman's SYBARITE, 11, 11-2 A. Smyth 2
Mr. Larkin's SPEEN, 8, 11-7 ....C. Donnelly 3

Also ran—Girvan (G. Duller), Greenchesters (A. Gregson), Muscadin (F. Wootton), Sunsella (L. Hall). (Winner trained by F. Hunt.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. Speen, 4 to 1 each Girvan and Sunsella, 5 to 1 Sybarite, 6 to 1 each Muscadin and CAMARALZAMAN, 100 to 8 Greenchesters.

Won by a length; two lengths. Girvan was fourth.

The winner was sold to Mrs. D. Hailes for 330 gns.

2.0—RIPLEY (S.) HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200. 2 m.

Mr. Nightingall's ch. h. TRIPLE BLUE, by Ambition—College Queen, 10, 11-7 F. Fitton 1
Mr. C. Jackson's HILL OF CAMAS, 13, 11-0 Trudgill 2
Mr. Wood's TIM, 12, 11-10 ......Mr. O. Stanley 3

Also ran—Nonakem (A. Glaiser), Turbine Secundus (Maj. Doyle), Bell Toll (M. Howard), Big Bertha (A. Whitfield). (Winner trained by Nightingall.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Hill of Camas, 3 to 1 Turbine Secundus, 100 to 30 TRIPLE BLUE, 7 to 1 Tim, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by five lengths; half a length.

The winner was bought in for 145 gns.

2.30—CARDINAL'S HANDICAP HURDLE of £200. 2½ m.

Mr. Larkin's ch. g. POLISSON, by Rock Flint—Book Muslin, 5, 10-4 ....C. Donnelly 1
Mr. Blythe's SEA VOYAGE, 11, 11-5 J. Hogan, jun. 2
Mr. T. Hartigan's YAHNA, 5, 10-5 ......Tighe 3

Also ran—Santavon (Wootton), Chicago (Escott), Resilient (H. Murphy), Dinah Morris (W. Smyth), Waterford Glass II. (W. Speck), Dutch Toy (Pellerin), Lady Wavelet (J. Fitzgibbon), Grandson (Fitton), Eastern Prince (G. Duller), Yorick (F. Brooks). (Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—3 to 1 agst. POLISSON, 100 to 30 Waterford Glass II., 9 to 2 Chicago, 7 to 1 each Eastern Prince and Dinah Morris, 10 to 1 Santavon, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by half a length; two lengths. Dinah Morris was fourth.

3.0—PRINCE OF WALES'S HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £400. 3½ m.

Maj. F. Murray's b. g. GERALD L., by Captivation—Lavenne, a, 11-9 ....J. Morgan 1
Sir E. Edgar's SILVO, 7, 10-9 ....A. Escott 2
Mrs. Putnam's VICO, 10, 12-2 ....L. B. Rees 3
Lord Denman's Hard Nail, 8, 10-7 Maj. Doyle 0
Mr. Pole's Devonport, 8, 10-3 ...J. Hogan, jun. 0
Mr. Faber's Swivel, 10, 10-0 ....Clarke 0
(Winner trained by Gwilt.)

Betting—13 to 8 agst. GERALD L., 5 to 2 Silvo, 4 to 1 Hard Nail, 6 to 1 Vico, 10 to 1 Devonport, 100 to 8 Swivel.

Passing the stand the first time, Silvo showed in front of Hard Nail, Vico, Devonport, and Gerald L., Swivel having refused. This order was maintained until five furlongs from home, when Gerald L. went to the front, and won easily by six lengths; eight lengths divided second and third. None other completed the course. Devonport fell three furlongs from home. Hard Nail pulled up.

3.30—FEBRUARY FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE of £200. 2 m.

Lord Rosebery's b. c. HIGH FORCE, by Tracery—Vaucluse, 11-3 ....G. Duller 1
Mr. Hanley's WEE LADDIE, 10-9..R. Wheeler 2
Mr. Moseby's MARCANDO, 10-7....A. Shedden 3

Also ran:—Blenheim (J. Hogan, jun.), Austin Friars (T. Leader), Perfect Sailor (W. Madden), Iron Band (J. Barry), Manser's Pride (C. Donnelly). (Winner trained by Nightingall.)

Betting—13 to 8 on HIGH FORCE, 5 to 1 Wee Laddie, 7 to 1 Marcando, 8 to 1 Austin Friars, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by eight lengths; two lengths.

4.0—EPSOM STEEPLECHASE of £200. 2 m.

Mr. Gilpin's b.c RATTLESNAKE, by Jaeger—Tambourine, 5, 11-5 ....Reardon 1
Mrs. Phillips's WHAT LUCK, 6, 12-5 J. Hogan, jun. 2
Mr. Carlill's HERMINIUS, 5, 11-5 J. Mahoney, jun. 3

Also ran:—Kirkwood (J. Rennison), Horner (Mr. Harvey), St. Flavin (Owner), Special (Stubbs), The Antelope (Mr. Chapman), Aintree (H. Wheeler), Red Lassie (Mr. Lerwill), Dictation (P. L'Estrange), Rifleman (F. Brooks), Hermocles (A. Kent). (Winner trained by Reardon.)

Betting—3 to 1 each agst. What Luck, Rifleman and Kirkwood, 100 to 30 RATTLESNAKE, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by three lengths; a bad third.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Drinmond has been sent to R. Gore's stable.

The Grand National candidate, Drifter, is now trained by Barthropp.

The Louth Hunt Point-to-Point Races will be held on Wednesday, March 21st.

Padraig has been purchased by Mrs. W. K. Milnes, but remains in A. Hogan's stable at Fazaley.

The Grand Allies' Steeplechase at Sandown Park will not be renewed this season owing to the situation on the Continent.

WEIGHTS.

MANCHESTER MEETING.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24.

SALFORD BOROUGH HURDLE RACE (handicap) of 1,250 sovs. Two miles.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Furious	a	12	7	Waterford Glass II.	a	11	7
Fariray	6	12	7	King David	a	11	6
Mile End	a	12	4	Southern Flight	4	11	6
Bolshevist	a	12	3	Daylight Saver	a	11	5
Groomsport	4	12	1	Ulster Division	6	11	5
Old Times	5	12	0	Macpherson	6	11	4
Prince Herod	6	11	13	Highlander	5	11	4
Jasper	4	11	13	Joseph the First	6	11	4
Harmonius	5	11	13	Sancroft	4	11	4
Count Ross	6	11	12	Sans Peche	4	11	2
Double Bed	6	11	11	Hassock	4	11	0
Beyrob	a	11	10	Brianbrook	5	10	7
The Kiwi II.	5	11	10	San Rafael	a	10	5
Glass Idol	5	11	9	Predial	4	10	1
Assaroe	a	11	8	John Jackett	a	10	1
Benediction	6	11	7				
West Countryman	5	11	7				

MANCHESTER.

PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Though the entries for the Manchester Meeting are far from being high-class, there is a probability of some excellent sport at this popular fixture, given fine weather. The arrivals are fairly numerous, and many can appear on the scene on the morning of racing. The Coulthwaite stable figures prominently in the February Hurdle Handicap of 300 sovs., with Old Times, Fariray, Ulster Division, Benediction, Mr. Porta, Derryboy II., and Blood Royal, and whichever is saddled, considering the wonderful form shown by the Hednesford division, should not be allowed to run loose. It may be mentioned that Fariray won cleverly at Sandown on Wednesday, and both Mr. Porta and Benediction won at Manchester on January 2. The victory of Poise at Leicester recently makes him a good proposition for the Clifton Hurdle, with Snake Ash, also a Manchester winner, if saddled, the greatest danger. Selections:—

Salford Steeplechase—**The Heir.**
Clifton Hurdle—**Poise.**
Medlock Steeplechase—**Leighlin Bridge.**
February Hurdle—**Coulthwaite's selection.**
Oldham Steeplechase—**Fugo.**
County Hurdle—**King David.**

[The figures in front of the names of the horses are an index to placings in their last three engagements—reading from right to left.]

1.0—SALFORD HANDICAP 'CHASE of £150. 3 m.

111 CHIN CHIN (Sir F. Price)......Gilbert 7 12 5
112 DRUMREE (Mr. Sanday) ....Sanday 7 11 13
202 DEERFOOT (Mr. Dickson)..Coulthwaite 9 11 1
313 MORNING STAR (Mr. Baylis) T. Leader 8 10 12
200 LANDTEEL (Mr. Beckett)......Bazley 11 10 1
420 MOOREFIELD (Mr. Fountain)..Adams 10 10 1
124 AMNESTY (Mr. Whiteman) Fergusson 10 10 1
000 GRENHURST (Col. Paynter) Chadwick 7 10 0
120 DOUBLE CHANCE (Mr. B. Archer) Archer 7 10 0
312 PHILIP (Mr. Wilson) ....Vasey 7 10 0
(The above have arrived.)
032 GOOD POINTS (Mrs. Bennett) Bennett 8 12 6
310 ST. ENDAS (Mr. Whitaker)..Whitaker 10 11 11
410 BROADWAY (Mr. Green)........Spittle 8 11 7
221 BERGATE (7lb. ex.) (Mr. Dixon)
120 ARABIAN KNIGHT (Mr. Smith) S. Bennett 8 12 0
Flynn 7 11 6
0 ISCHEVAHA (Mr. Johnstone)..Ireland 9 11 6
110 HEIR (Mr. S. Dennis).....H. Harrison 9 11 6
C01 SMASHAWAY (Sir H. Webb)
400 KNOCKCROGHERY II. (Ld. Londesborough) D. Harrison 10 11 5
200 FIBBER (Mr. Clancy) ....H. Brown 9 11 0
400 CORNEY GRAIN (Mr. Knowles) ....Clancy 7 10 13
004 BUBBLY (Sir H. Webb) ......Fergusson 7 10 11
033 DUDLEY (Ld. Londesborough) D. Harrison 8 10 10
141 FAIR VIEW (Mr. Gee) ....H. Brown 9 10 9
010 NOBLE GUARD (Mr. Shaw) ....C. Young 9 10 0
303 INGOE (Mr. H. Brown) ......Barthropp 12 10 5
001 UOME (Mr. Kenyon) ....Brown 7 10 4
032 SCOTCH EAGLE (Mr. Macdonald) J. Dodd 8 10 1
Bennett 7 10 0

1.30—CLIFTON (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE of £110. 2 m.

035 POISE (Mr. O'Sullivan) ......O'Sullivan a 12 5
003 FARM GIRL (Mr. Aitken) ....Aitken 6 11 6
400 BALTHANDY (Mr. Baylis) T. Leader 11 11 4
345 JUGALIS (Mr. Wint) ....Wint 6 11 1
032 AMBRIDGE (Mr. Wilde) ....Woodman 6 11 1
004 DUNCHER (Mr. Whitaker) ..Whitaker 7 11 0
000 THEISM (Mr. Connor) ....Connor 6 10 12
000 O'FLYN (Mr. H. Brown) ....Brown 8 10 11
000 KEYHAM (Mr. Moseby) ....Shedden 7 10 9
005 MAGO (Mr. Copeland) ....Copeland 5 10 9
002 CHUCK A PENNY (Mr. Kimberley) Rooney 5 10 7
(The above have arrived.)
10 CHOPSTICK (Mr. Dingler) ....McCall 5 12 10
000 RATHCORE (Mr. Isall) ....Bennett 9 12 9
RATEAU (Mr. Rooke) ....Vasey 7 12 9
021 SCOTTISH KNIGHT (7lb. ex.) (Mrs. Brock) ....Bennett 7 12 9
101 SNAKE ASH (7lb. ex.) (Mr. Chamberlain) ....Chamberlain 7 12 9
140 KONKY (Mr. Whiteman) ....Burns 6 12 9
042 MORE RAIN (Mr. Rose) ....Lund 12 12 5
000 AMBOYNA (Mr. Whiting) ....Whiting 6 12 5
033 GOLDEN AGE (Mr. Shedden)..Shedden 6 12 4
FALSE REPORT (Mr. A. Lowry)
004 READING (Mr. Cumming) ....Private 7 12 3
021 REGICLES (Mr. B. Bullock) ....Woodman 5 12 2
212 DART UP (Mr. Bolton) ....Bullock 8 12 1
051 FRIZBURY (Mr. Mosley) ....J. Payne 7 12 1
0 ROAMER (Mr. Skipper) ....Orbell 8 11 13
FINE GOLD (Mr. Barnett) ....Bennett 7 11 13
NAVAN BOY (Mr. O'Neill) Coulthwaite 5 11 13
020 LITTLE MILFORD (Mr. Thomas) ..Ireland 8 11 11
D. Harrison 7 11 11
002 MADURO (Mr. H. Dennis) H. Harrison 6 11 10
00 ZEEVUST (Mr. Lightbody) ....Hyde 6 11 8
000 CEYX (Mr. Clancy) ....Clancy 12 11 8
00 STOCKINETTE (Mr. Wilson) Scholfield 6 11 7
4 KILCRUTTIN (Mr. Willis) ....E. Payne 6 11 6
404 AIR QUEEN (Mrs. Morris) ....Smyth 5 11 4
000 SHIELING (Mr. Barnett) ....E. Payne 7 11 2
00 LITTLE GENTLEMAN (Mr. Lea)......Lea 6 11 1
00 KING RAEBURN (Mr. Davis)..Roberts 6 10 12
00 DARJEELING (Mr. Hoyle) ....Reeder 4 10 10
400 CORSICAN (Mr. Giannelli) ....Wilmot 5 10 10
0 POOR DAMSEL (Mr. Greenwood) Moss 5 10 10
000 CUHONA (Mrs. Hollins) ......R. Payne 10 10 9
030 HOO (Mr. Smith) ....Flynn 5 10 8
000 MISS CYLGAD (Mr. Orth) ....Hill 5 10 7
450 AMATIVE (Mr. Crewe) ....Barthropp 4 10 6
000 KING'S DOUBLE (Mr. Whiteman) 5
004 TOBY (Mr. Rooney) ....Burns 4 10 5
230 TALBOT (Mr. McGuigan) ....Rooney 5 10 4
043 LA CORONA (Mr. McLean)..McGuigan 6 10 4
004 GROUND SCOUT (Mr. H. Brown) McGuigan 5 10 0
000 KING'S NORDLEY (Mr. Chamberlain) Brown 5 10 0
Chamberlain 8 10 0
004 ALLENTOWN (Miss Frost)...Smallwood 6 10 0

2.0—MEDLOCK 'CHASE of £111. 3 m.

420 OLD MICK (Mr. Shaw) ......Barthropp 7 11 9
0 BRUTUS III. (Mr. Sanday) ....Sanday 8 11 9
403 LEIGHLIN BRIDGE (Mr. Rogers) D. Rogers 5 11 2
(The above have arrived.)
000 CATSKIN (Mr. Flint) ....Flint 6 12 0
331 ST. GEORGE II. (Mr. Edge) Powell 6 12 0
000 DEVONPORT (Maj. Pole) F. Hartigan 8 12 0
010 GREAT WESTERN (Mr. Stokes) Stokes 8 12 0
010 ROISEL (Mr. E. Stanley) ....Hastings 6 12 0
03 CHINA CROW (Mr. Bromley) Private 10 11 9
000 DEWI SANT (Mr. Dennis) D. Harrison 8 11 9
333 ARDUOUS (Capt. FitzGerald) FitzGerald 6 11 9
SUCCESSOR (Mr. Kenyon) ....Davis a 11 9
033 EDGELEY (Mr. Paterson) ....Paterson 11 11 9
0 SCOFF (Mrs. Putnam) ....Woodman 7 11 9
0 CROFT HOUSE (Mr. Sankey) ......Brown 7 11 9
030 GLENGARRY II. (Maj. Straker) Straker 9 11 9
0 HOOPLESS (Mrs. Watson) ....Private a 11 9
00 RED CENT (Mr. Woods) ....Woods a 11 9
232 CRAIGNELL (Mr. Woods) ....Woods a 11 9
0 BROKEN CROSS (Mr. Woods)....Woods 10 11 9
000 BY PROXY (Col. Anthony) Hastings 5 11 9
0 SPECIAL COMMISSIONER (Mr. Gall) 2
000 SIMON'S MOUNT (Mr. J. Jarvis) Thomson 5 11 2
JIM DANDY (Mr. Dixon) ....T. Leader 5 11 2
002 KNIGHT OF THE MINT (Capt. Rich) Lines 4 10 0
030 SHEIKH (Capt. Rich) ....Blair 4 10 0
RED SPLASH (Maj. Wyndham) ....Blair 4 10 0
Withington a 10 0

2.30—FEBRUARY HURDLE HANDICAP of £300. 2 m.

131 FARIRAY (10lb. ex.) (Mr. Monahan) Coulthwaite 6 13 1
312 CHARLES LEVER (Mr. Settle) H. Harrison 6 11 12
004 KIWI II. (Sir W. Goulding)............Gore 5 11 11
131 BENEDICTION (Mr. Dickson) Coulthwaite 6 11 9
433 SANS DOUTE (Mr. Saunders) ..Clement 5 11 4
400 CORNEY GRAIN (Mr. Knowles) Fergusson 7 11 4
004 ATLANTIC FLIGHT (Mr. Bulteel) T. Leader 5 10 1
(The above have arrived.)
202 LUKESTON (Mr. Tattersall) ..Harrison 10 12 6
NANT COCH (Mr. Scott) ....A. Scott 10 12 4
100 PERRY HILL (Mr. Phillips)..T. Leader 8 12 3
023 OLD TIMES (Mr. Taylor) ..Coulthwaite 5 12 2
ULULA (Mr. McCann) ....Private 6 12 0
03 GLASS IDOL (Mrs. Heybourn) ..J. Bell 5 11 13
110 SPRIG (Mrs. Partridge) ....T. Leader 6 11 12
200 ULSTER DIVISION (Mr. Barnett) Coulthwaite 6 11 8
011 MR. PORTA (Mr. Dickson) Coulthwaite 5 11 8
000 GALROY (Mr. Brass) ....Gunter 6 11 7
032 WATERBOTTLE (Mr. A. Scott)..Scott 10 11 6
140 DERRYBOY II. (Mr. Morrison) Coulthwaite 9 11 3
RATEAU (Mr. Rooke) ....Vasey 7 11 2
GRENOBLE (Mr. Darrell)..................Martin 4 10 12
000 DEVIL'S OWN (Sir H. Webb) Harrison 8 10 11
000 BLOOD ROYAL (Mr. Hatmer) Coulthwaite 7 10 5
204 HIGHCLIFFE (Mr. Smith) ....Flynn 4 10 4
000 JOHN JACKETT (Mr. Smith)..Drake 10 10 2
004 BACSMORE (Ld. Cholmondeley) Fergusson 6 10 0

3.0—OLDHAM 'CHASE of £150. 2 m.

Age st. lb.
021 FUGO (Mr. Davidson) ....Whitaker 5 12 5
044 BECKERS (Mr. Wilson) ....Vaser 5 11 9
000 BLUE ANCHOR (Mr. Hyde) ....Hyde 5 11 2
432 PHANTOM CHARLEY (Sir R. Liddell) Peacock 4 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
BACHELOR'S GRAB (Mr. Lawton) Private 9 12 0
000 DEVONPORT (Mr. Pole) F. Hartigan 8 12 0
000 MANRICO (Mr. Ramsden) ....Gore 9 12 0
310 DOUBLE UP (Mr. B. Walker) F. Hartigan 6 12 0
430 BALLYLUNDAN (Mr. Shiel) Barthropp 7 11 9
000 MEM SAHIB (Mr. Kenyon) ....Davis 7 11 7
SUCCESSOR (Mr. Kenyon) ....Davis a 11 7
MASTER OF ARTS (Mr. Lowry) Ireland 6 11 7
JACKETTE (Mr. Paterson) ..Paterson 6 11 7
DUKE'S WALK (Mr. Walker) Coulthwaite a 11 7
0 FAIRY HILL II. (Major Wercher) Coulthwaite 7 11 7
000 HERMINIUS (Mr. Carlill) ....Ollis 5 11 2
339 HENRI MARTIN (Maj. Palmer) Palmer 5 11 2
0 SOUTHENER (Col. Paynter) Chadwick 5 11 2
BENDIBRA (Mr. Simmonds) ....Smyth 5 11 2
00 REDSTAR (Ld. Jersey) ....Withington 4 10 0

3.30—COUNTY HURDLE of £110. 2 m.

Age st. lb.
000 DAME D'ATOUT (Mr. Brown) Casebourne 7 11 9
000 ARIS (Mr. O'Sullivan) ....O'Sullivan 8 11 9
020 BUENASUERTE (Mr. Hands)....Saxby 5 11 5
11 KING DAVID (Mr. Laidlaw) Coulthwaite 4 11 3
220 UNCLE DAVID (Maj. Power) Fergusson 4 10 7
204 HIGHCLIFFE (Mr. Smith) ....Flynn 4 10 7
(The above have arrived.)
010 TWICKENHAM (Mr. Waller) Smyth 6 12 5
410 WISE PRINCE (Mr. Kenyon) J. Dodd 5 12 1
000 FINCHALE (Mr. Baylis) ....Shedden 7 11 9
00 SAFFRON (Mr. Clark) ....Savill 6 11 9
BELLE FILLE (Mr. Clark) ....Burns 6 11 9
000 LAMBSWOOL (Mr. Hoyle) ....Reeder 6 11 9
030 ANARCHIST (Mr. Kenyon) ....J. Dodd 6 11 9
0 BOLD BUCK (Mr. Kenyon) ....J. Dodd 6 11 9
SHARK (Mr. McGuigan) ....McGuigan 6 11 9
RATEAU (Mr. Rooke) ....Vasey 7 11 9
232 ANOTHER ATTRACTION (Mr. Shaw) Bennett 8 11 9
430 BALLYLUNDAN (Mr. Shiel) Barthropp 7 11 9
0 RED RHETORIC (Capt. Shirley) Rogers 6 11 9
CHALTOI (Mrs. Tabor) ....Woodland 10 11 9
115 HABTON (Mr. Thompson) ..F. Hartigan 7 11 9
00 MARCIA (Capt. Wilson) ....Whitaker 6 11 9
00 RED CENT (Mr. Wood) ....Wood a 11 9
030 SHAW'S BRIDGE (Mr. Barnett) Coulthwaite 5 11 5
00 ABBOT OF JERVAULX (Mr. Boozman) Peacock 5 11 5
BUGGY (Mr. Bromley) ....Private 5 11 5
0 SPECULATOR (Mr. Buckley) J. T. Dodd 5 11 5
32 BUCKSIE (Mr. Cozan)................Bennett 5 11 5
APRIL SHOWER (Mr. Darling) S. Darling 5 11 5
00 JESTER (Mr. Davison) ....E. Piggott 5 11 5
10 KING'S CROSS (Mr. Hope) ....J. Archer 5 11 5
0 WEST COUNTRYMAN (Sir R. Jardine) Coulthwaite 5 11 5
0 MY BIRD (Mr. McLaughlin) ....Burns 5 11 5
00 HONEYCOMB (Mr. Tait) ....Burns 5 11 5
000 SANTA (Mr. Thompson) ....J. Archer 5 11 5
WESTVIEW (Mr. Turner) ....Private 5 11 5
0 AGRICOLA (Mr. Walker) ....Coulthwaite 5 11 5
MRS. YORICK (Sir H. Blackett) Private 4 10 7
44 HEREFORD (Mr. Bolton)..........J. Payne 4 10 7
200 STELLATION (Mr. Bradley) ....Knowles 4 10 7
00 SOUTHERN SEA (Mr. Dingley)..McCall 4 10 7
CLOVE PINK (Capt. Elser) ....Elsey 4 10 7
020 POI DU CIEL (Mr. Goold)..F. Archer 4 10 7
4 CLACKMANNAN (Mr. Green) C. Piggott 4 10 7
FOXHOUND (Mr. Hood) ......H. Harrison 4 10 7
60 OUR BEN (Mr. Johnstone)......T. Leader 4 10 7
00 MY STARS (Mr. Lightbody) ....Hyde 4 10 7
PEQUANOCH (Mr. Lowry) ....Private 4 10 7
000 MARCANDO (Mr. Moseby) ....Shedden 4 10 7
00 ELSIE K. (Mr. Reeves) ....Private 4 10 7
CHERRY WARE (Mr. Reeves)..........Private 4 10 7
30 ROSSIENY (Mr. Tait) ....Burns 4 10 7
020 RUNG HO (Ld. Wavertree) ....Fergusson 4 10 7

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S MANCHESTER MEETING.

PAPER.	1.0 RACE.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.
Sportsman	Drumree; if ab., Morning Star.	Frizbury.	Leighlin Bridge.	*Atlantic Flight.	Fugo.	Coulthwaite's selected.
Man on the Spot	Morning Star.	More Rain.	Arduous.	Sans Doute.	Fugo.	King David; if ab., West Countryman.
Sporting Life	Morning Star.	Poise.	Leighlin Bridge.	*Benediction.	Fugo.	Rung Ho.
Man on the Spot	Dudley.	Snake Ash.	Arduous.	*Benediction.	Fugo.	Bold Buck.
D. News	The Heir.	*Poise.	Leighlin Bridge.	Benediction.	Fugo.	Rung Ho.
D. Mail	Morning Star.	Ambridge.	Arduous.	Benediction.	Fugo.	—
D. Chronicle	Drumree; if ab., Morning Star.	Poise.	Leighlin Bridge.	Benediction.	Fugo.	*King David.
D. Express	Drumree; if ab., Smashaway.	More Rain.	Arduous; if ab., Old Mick.	*Benediction.	Fugo; if ab., Beckers.	Rung Ho (next best).
D. Mirror	Morning Star.	—	Arduous.	Benediction.	Fugo.	Bucksie; if ab., Rung Ho.
D. Graphic	Smashaway.	*Poise.	Leighlin Bridge.	Benediction.	Fugo.	King David.
Star	Morning Star.	Air Queen.	Arduous.	*Charles Lever.	Manrico.	King David.
E. News	Arabian Knight.	*Poise.	*Arduous.	Coulthwaite's selected.	Ballylundan.	Bucksie.
Pall Mall	Deerfoot.	Dart Up.	Arduous.	Coulthwaite's selected.	Manrico.	Coulthwaite's selected.
E. Standard	Smashaway.	Ambridge.	Arduous.	Benediction.	Manrico.	King David.
Times	Smashaway.	Ambridge.	Arduous or Leighlin Bridge.	Benediction.	Manrico.	King David; if ab., Rung Ho.

RUGBY.

IRELAND V. ENGLAND.

IRISH CAPTAIN SELECTED.

J. K. S. Thompson, the Dublin University forward, has been selected as captain of the Irish team to play England at Leicester on Saturday, February 10th. The team will leave by the morning mail boat on Thursday, and travel straight through to Leicester.

WALES V. SCOTLAND.

WELSH PLAYERS TURN PROFESSIONALS.

WELSH CAPTAIN TO PLAY.

A report circulated on Wednesday that J. C. Lewis (Cardiff), the Welsh captain, would not play against Scotland, at Cardiff next Saturday, owing to a septic knee, is denied by the Welsh Rugby Union, who have been assured by a medical man that Lewis will be able to lead his side.

J. Thomson, the Cross Keys forward, has signed professional forms for the Leeds Northern Union Club. Thomson played against England at Twickenham on January 20, and was selected to play against Scotland on Saturday. His place will be taken by L. Jenkins (Aberavon).

Another big surprise for the Welsh R.U. is that Tom Parker, the centre three-quarter of the Aberavon Club, has been signed on by Wigan. Reserve for the Welsh XV. in the last international against England, Parker had also been chosen a reserve for Saturday's match.

Mr. J. W. Baxter (Liverpool) has been appointed to referee the game.

HOSPITALS CUP—SECOND ROUND.

RICHMOND (19) v. ST. VINCENT'S (14).

The Hospital Cup competition was advanced another stage yesterday, when Richmond beat Vincent's at University Park, Terenure, by 19 points to 14. The weather was bad, a strong cross wind, with driving rain, prevailing, when the following sides lined out before a mere handful of spectators:—

Richmond—Griffith; James, Pierce, McCloskey, Osborne; O'Neill, Lyons; Broderick, Glynn, Dunwoody, O'Neill, Cleary, Hedderman, M'Garry, O'Connor.

St. Vincent's—Reddin; Russell, Early, Joyce; Sheehy; Donovan, Birmingham; Fogarty, O'Donovan, D. Brown, Godfrey, O'Sullivan, Joyce, Pigott, McNally.

Referee—Mr. P. Smith.

Five minutes from the start Pierce cut through from half-way, and James getting possession, scored between the posts, and converted. Shortly afterwards Vincent's were penalised, and James landed a three-pointer from the 25. Scrambling play followed, and James landed another penalty goal for Richmond from near half-way. Vincents attacked, and McNally scored at the left, Reddin's kick going wide, and at the interval Richmond led by a goal and two penalty goals (11 points) to a try.

In the second half Griffith scored under the bar following a loose rush, and James converted. Vincent's attacked, and being awarded a penalty try for obstruction Reddin failed to improve. Then James gathered, and scored at the left, but failed to convert. Donovan kicked ahead, and recovering possession, scored behind the posts and converted. After a loose rush by Vincent's, O'Sullivan scored, but Reddin missed with the kick, and a scrambling game gave Richmond the right to meet Dun's in the second semi-final, the winner of which will meet Dental. Result:—

Richmond—2 goals, 2 penalty goals, 1 try (19 points).
St. Vincent's—1 goal, 3 tries (14 points).

CLONTARF CLUB.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. KILLINGLEY.

During recent weeks extensive additions have been made to the club's premises, including a dressing room, baths, etc., also ladies' room, whilst a new entrance has been provided opening on to Castle avenue. These will be used for the first time to-morrow, when the club plays Wanderers.

After the match a memorial to the late Mr. Charles Killingley, Past President, etc., will be unveiled by Mrs. Gardiner, wife of Dr. Jack Gardiner President of the club.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

Wales v. Scotland. Cardiff.
Blackrock v. Dublin University. Williamstown.
Clontarf v. Wanderers. Castle avenue.
Lansdowne v. Bective Rangers. Lansdowne road.
University College v. Monkstown. Terenure Park.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily News:—To-day's best—Poise (nap) and Benediction.

Daily Chronicle:—Double—Benediction and King David. "To Beat the Book"—Benediction.

Daily Graphic:—Double—Poise and Fugo.

Daily Mirror:—Double — Morning Star (nap) and Benediction.

Daily Mail:—Special selection—Benediction. Double—Benediction and Morning Star.

Daily Express:—Safety bet—Benediction (to win).

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

MANCHESTER MEETING.

County Hurdle Race—Roi Du Ciel.
Grand Allies' 'Chase—Vico, Trentino.
Manchester engagements—Anarchist, Wise Prince, Glen Royal II., Uome, Double Up, Devonport, Habton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ripley Handicap, Sandown—Little England.
Watergall Hurdle, Warwick—Simon Simple.
Cheltenham engagements—Harrier II.
All engagements in Captain Delmege's name—Hymer.
All engagements in Mr. Parrish's name—St. George II.

PUNCHESTOWN RACES,

APRIL 10th and 11th.

All entries (with exception of Kildare Hunt Cup, which closes on March 21st) CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY NEXT, February 7th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 14 Upper Merrion street, Dublin.

For programme see Irish "Racing Calendar," "Irish Field," or "Sport."

Programmes and entry forms can be had from Mr. D. Mangan, 63 Dawson street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

COURSING.

IRISH CUP TRIALS.

THIRD AND FOURTH ROUNDS.

KERRY DOGS TO THE FORE.

Judge—Mr. M. F. Davin. Slipper—W. O'Donoghue.

THE IRISH CUP—For 64 all-ages. Winner, £200 and piece of plate value £50; runner-up, £50; two dogs, £20 each; four dogs, £7 each; eight dogs, £4 10/- each; 16 dogs, £2 10/- each.

THIRD ROUND.

Mr. T. A. Morris ns. Durman beat Mr. W. Kelly ns. Margaret M. No betting.

Dr. C. Molan ns. Victorious Crawler beat Mr. J. A. Quin ns. Flying Heasman. Betting—5 to 4 on Victorious Crawler.

Mr. P. J. Carr ns. Coral Island beat Mr. D. J. Garry ns. Carrigathou. Betting—5 to 4 on Coral Island.

Mr. P. R. Considine ns. First Capture, a bye; Mr. M. Nolan ns. High Mover, drawn.

Mr. J. Hawe ns. The Shaper beat Mr. R. Cussen ns. Llewellyn's Fancy. Betting—5 to 2 on The Shaper.

Mr. J. J. Rice ns. Silver Coin III. beat Mr. R. V. Ryan ns. Black Frost. Betting—3 to 1 on Silver Coin III.

Miss A. Hope-Johnstone ns. Second Stornoway beat Mr. J. Shaw's Stormont. Betting—11 to 10 on Stormont.

Mr. J. Fitzgibbon's Spotted Hawk beat Mr. E. J. Murphy ns. Tetratema II. Betting—5 to 4 on Tetratema II.

FOURTH ROUND.

Durman beat Victorious Crawler. Betting—6 to 4 on Victorious Crawler.

First Capture beat Coral Island. Betting—2 to 1 on Coral Island.

Silver Coin III. beat The Shaper. Betting—5 to 4 on The Shaper.

Spotted Hawk beat Second Stornoway. Betting—2 to 1 on Spotted Hawk.

THE PURSE—For 32 dogs beaten in the first round of the Cup.

FIRST ROUND.

Bannocht Lath beat Glad Idler.
Giant beat First Light.
Cherry Hawk beat Cahirdavin Boy.
I'm Telling You, a bye; Benmore II., absent.

Street Singer beat Beechlawn.
Sans Souci beat Final Flight.
Bagpipes II. beat Out of Tune.
Cottage Worker, a bye; Much Loved, drawn.

Fra Diavolo, a bye; Rathmore Lass, drawn.
Pharmacie beat Far Fierna.
Aughafoda beat Clunagh Sweep.
Duckie Dick beat Our Shells.

Mustard and Glass Key both drawn.
Kilcully, a bye; Baggot Hill, drawn.
Odd Legend beat Herakla.
Pilot's Call beat Lough Castle.

SECOND ROUND.

Giant beat Bannocht Lath.
Cherry Hawk beat I'm Telling You.
Sans Souci beat Street Singer.
Bagpipes II. beat Cottage Worker.
Fra Diavolo beat Pharmacie.
Aughafoda beat Duckie Dick.
Kilcully, a bye.
Pilot's Call beat Odd Legend.

THE PLATE—For 16 dogs beaten in the second round of the Cup.

FIRST ROUND.

Gabbling Innocent, a bye; Money for Nothing, drawn.
Murphy's Double beat Montecello.
Brilliant Victory, a bye; Moderiac, drawn.
Arch Gift, a bye; Cheerful Challenge, drawn.
Kerry Head beat Two Speed.
Easter Sunday beat Chivalry.
Book Packet, a bye; Western Wave, drawn.
Political Chief beat Hill of Spa.

THE CUP—THIRD ROUND.

DURMAN beat MARGARET M.—Durman in a fine set to led by about a length, and retained the position for three, when the red collar cut in, and had all the remainder of the course, but had not done nearly enough when pussy got home.

VICTORIOUS CRAWLER beat FLYING HEASMAN.—The black rattled away for a two lengths lead, but ran wide, and Flying Heasman went in for two, but Victorious Crawler resumed, and after using the hare twice raced by to drive to cover.

CORAL ISLAND beat CARRIGATHOU.—Coral Island from a level slip raced up three lengths in front, and swung round beautifully for the second, whereupon Carrigathou had a couple of quick scores, but Coral Island dashed in to kill in the drain.

FIRST CAPTURE ran a bye, HIGH MOVER being drawn.

THE SHAPER beat LLEWELLYN'S FANCY.—The Shaper forged up two lengths for the turn, and went round for the second. A few exchanges followed, and when the red collar floored the hare he was well in arrears.

SILVER COIN III. beat BLACK FROST.—Silver Coin III. jumped away smarter from the slips, but three-quarters way up the black had gone to the front. Silver Coin III., however, made a determined burst, and shot out for the turn. Black Frost took the second, and then the brindled raced in for a couple of strong wrenches and the kill.

SECOND STORNOWAY beat STORMONT—Stornoway led a length, and running the course with plenty of fire, allowed the Belfast greyhound only a couple of points, the white collar being much faster, and going by to drive to cover.

SPOTTED HAWK beat TETRATEMA II.—Spotted Hawk went up two lengths for the turn, and rattled up a strong sequence before the red collar got near the hare. Tetratema had scored only once, when the other again took command to have all the remainder.

FOURTH ROUND.

DURMAN beat VICTORIOUS CRAWLER—In a great buckle Durman wore down the black for a lead of a length. Both shot out, but Victorious Crawler got the second. The brindled then had a third, and raced by, when Victorious Crawler cut in, but Durman finished the stronger, and, dashing past, drove to cover.

FIRST CAPTURE beat CORAL ISLAND—In a short slip First Capture led Coral Island two lengths, but missed his drive. The brindled then went across, but fell in a determined effort to kill. Left in possession, the white had a couple of strong wrenches, whereupon Coral Island raced in, wrenched, and killed.

SILVER COIN III. beat THE SHAPER—It was a great struggle for the first point, but in the last stride Silver Coin got there on an inside, and after The Shaper had one as the hare broke back, Silver Coin III. went in to kill meritoriously.

SPOTTED HAWK beat SECOND STORNOWAY—Spotted Hawk forged ahead for a lead of two lengths. He retained possession for the next, and then ensued some smart exchanges, Spotted Hawk finishing with a good kill.

THE PURSE—FIRST ROUND.

BANNOCHT LATH led THE IDLER three lengths, and keeping much closer to scent, allowed the other only an occasional score to cover.

GIANT went up a length from FIRST LIGHT for the first. First Light then had one, when Giant clinched matters with the kill.

CHERRY HAWK II. stretched out four lengths from CAHERDAVIN BOY, and went round smartly to kill.

I'M TELLING YOU ran a bye, BENMORE II. being drawn.

After a non course through BEECHLAWN running unsighted, STREET SINGER III. led a long way, and did not allow a point to the white and brindled.

SANS SOUCI led FINAL FLIGHT two lengths, and had always the foot of him to cover, the white collar scoring only a couple of times.

OUT OF TUNE ran unsighted, but when he joined issue he was well out-footed by BAGPIPES II.

COTTAGE WORKER ran a bye.

FRA DIAVOLO ran a bye, RATHMORE LASS being drawn.

PHARMACIE led FAR FIERNA a length or so, and in the work that followed to the spinney, was able to go a bit faster than the red collar, winning by a substantial margin.

AHAFONA went up three lengths from CLUNAGH SWEEP, and had all the points, including the kill, in a short spin.

DUCKIE DICK forged ahead for a lead of two and a half lengths, and retained jealous possession to the spinney, the white collar failing to score.

MUSTARD and GLASS KEY were both drawn.

KILCULLY ran a bye, BAGGOT HILL being drawn.

HERAKLA showed pace, but ODD LEGEND squeezed up for the lead, and won well.

PILOT'S CALL raced away three lengths from LOUGH CASTLE, and admitted of no assistance from the brindled.

SECOND ROUND.

GIANT rattled away a few lengths from BANNOCHT LATH, and registered a strong sequence before the other took possession, but the red collar could do but little behind a racing hare.

In a short slip, CHERRY HAWK went up three lengths from I'M TELLING YOU, and had another strong drive and a fine kill.

SANS SOUCI got the turn from STREET SINGER III., and was a clear winner in a short course, when Street Singer nailed the hare.

BAGPIPES II. stretched out four lengths from COTTAGE WORKER, and scored a merry sequence before the brindled had an innings, but when Bagpipes sent pussy in, he was a good winner.

FRA DIAVOLO was three lengths faster than PHARMACIE, and though he fell away nearing the end, he did more than enough to win at the outset.

AHAFONA led DUCKIE DICK, and had the first two when the white collar nicked in for two and the kill.

KILCULLY ran a bye.

PILOT'S CALL was two lengths faster than ODD LEGEND, and went in for the second, and after an exchange picked up.

GABBLING INNOCENT, a bye; MONEY FOR NOTHING drawn.

MURPHY'S DOUBLE led MONTICELLO a length or so, and had always the foot of the black to cover.

BRILLIANT VICTORY, a bye; MODIERAC drawn.

ARCH GIFT, a bye; CHEERFUL CHALLENGE drawn.

KERRY HEAD was three lengths faster than TWO SPEED, and allowed him only a few points in the middle of a course, smartly run by the winner.

EASTER SUNDAY, in a fine buckle, lost the turn to CHIVALRY on the inside, but the latter did little or nothing in the course afterwards.

BOOK PACKET ran a bye; WESTERN WAVE II. drawn.

POLITICAL CHIEF led and easily asserted superiority over HILL OF SPA.

LIMERICK, Thursday Night.

Durman, First Capture, Silver Coin III., and Spotted Hawk to-day battled their way into the last four of the Irish Cup at Clounanna. Thus, while Kilkenny coursing men will be interested in the last stages of the struggle (Durman hails from Kilkenny), the men from Kerry will have a deeper interest still in to-morrow's running, the other trio being owned by Kerrymen, who once more have played a prominent rôle in the Irish Blue Riband.

It was an eventful day's sport, with the trials again tip-top. Indeed, better coursing on the average has not been associated with the Cup for years than that which has characterised the progress of the festival so far, and with the game standing up so well, despite the inclement weather and heavy going, the concluding phases cannot but provide an intensely interesting set-to in each case.

The trials in the Cup to-day could not have been better, but the slips in the last four were shorter than the average—a circumstance that, perhaps, had to be attributed to the failing light. But be that as it may, Coral Island would likely have done better in a longer stretch against First Capture, and a long-striding greyhound like Second Stornoway would probably also have made a bolder bid for the all-important first turn if the slip had been up to the average of those of yesterday and this morning.

Durman in the fourth round gave his admirers a first-class fright in his first spin this morning, for nearing the end of his course with Margaret M. he was holding out signals of distress, and seemed spun out, but he had won the course well before he allowed the other to go in for the finish. However, he rehabilitated himself in his fourth essay, against Victorious Crawler, which was certainly his most convincing performance, if it was not actually the best course he has ever run.

Coral Island gave his kennel companion, Carrigathou, no quarter, and he then made a good fight of it with First Capture, a puppy which, after his poor showing in the Midland Cup, has done surprisingly well here. As a matter of fact, after being led in a short slip, Coral Island contested it resolutely, but he got a nasty spill when he tried to nail the hare as she broke from the white collar after the turn.

Silver Coin III. went a fine bat; in fact, had he not such a reserve of pace he could scarcely have scored the turn from Black Frost, while it was that little extra bit that enabled him to get the initial point from The Shaper after the latter had seemingly run unsighted.

Second Stornoway outclassed Stormont, but was then smartly outcounted by Spotted Hawk, which is about the cleverest greyhound entered for the Cup. His defeat of Tetratema II. was the big thing of the two days. Mr. Trant's brindled cut up very badly; indeed, at no part of the course did he run with anything like the fire he put into it yesterday. But his failure—and it was a signal failure—was atoned for somewhat by First Capture.

Of the four left in, Durman from the outset has been about the best backed aspirant for the Cup. To-morrow, however, he will be set his hardest task when he goes to slips with First Capture, but while the latter is moving merrily, should Durman put it all in, he will get to the decider, in which event he will likely win the Cup. It will be a fine struggle between Silver Coin III. and Spotted Hawk, but the first-named looks to have the better pace in the run up, and he is also quite handy with his game.

There were the customary withdrawals from the Purse and Plate, but the trials run off were most interesting. Cherry Hawk may win the Purse and make amends for his Cup failure, though he will find it hard to beat Pilot's Call, should they meet; and the Plate should go to Brilliant Victory or Easter Sunday.

For full and critical report of the Irish Cup see To-morrow's issue of the "Irish Field." On sale at all Newsagents.—(Advt.)

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE KILDARE.

February.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 3rd	Rathcoole	11.0

THE MEATH.

Friday, 2nd	Corbalton Finger Post	11.0

IVEAGH HARRIERS HUNT CLUB.—February—Saturday, 3rd, Garvaghy School; Wednesday, 7th, Loughbrickland; Saturday, 10th, Poland's Bridge; Wednesday, 14th, Shanrod School; Monday, 19th, Old Kennels, Kilpike; Wednesday, 21st, Tanderagee; Saturday, 24th, Ballydown (Rathfriland road); Wednesday, 28th, Clare Chapel. At 12 o'clock.

QUEEN'S COUNTY HOUNDS.—Meet at Blandsfort House on 2nd February.

STRABANE HARRIERS.—February—Saturday, 3rd, Sion; Wednesday, 7th, Crew Bridge; Saturday, 10th, Ballindrait; Wednesday, 14th, Rabbstown; Saturday, 17th, Victoria Bridge; Wednesday, 21st, Rossgier; Saturday, 24th, Carnone Cross Roads; Wednesday, 28th, Churchminster. At 12.30 p.m.

WARD UNION HOUNDS.

At Batterstown, on Wednesday, there was a large attendance, and a very long hunt ensued with a stag enlarged behind Mr. Austin's house at Ballymaglassan. Starting in the Hatchet direction the pack ran at a fair pace almost to the Hatchet road before turning to the right and pointing for Ribstown, a little short of which they swung away to the left and, crossing the Hatchet road, ran on over the big "Jenkinstown Double" to the river under Mr. Leonard's house, where they checked in the shallow stream. Trying along the banks they hit off the line under Jenkinstown Bridge, and hunted slowly along the course of the stream, through the bog, to come to a long check at Larch Hill, where they were at fault until a welcome halloo in the direction of Mulhussey put matters right. Recovering the line where the stag had left the water, they puzzled out the line slowly by the right of Mulhussey towards Rodanstown, and, after checking behind Rodanstown House, another timely halloo set them going again in the direction of Moyglare. Running at a better pace they hunted by Newtown Prospect, and crossed the Maynooth road into the stud farm, and, crossing the Rye water, they hunted down through the water-meadows to the back of Kilcock, where their stag turned back into view, and, after pressing him away from the Rye water, he crossed the road into the Grand Canal, and was safely taken in the water by the Manse Lock, after a long, slow hunt of three hours.

GOLF.

SKERRIES.—To-morrow, sweepstakes—Annual general meeting in clubhouse at 4.30. Dinner at 6 o'clock.

HERMITAGE.—To-morrow, Saturday Cup, second qualifying round. February 10th, fourball foursomes, match play, choose partners. Entries close February 7th.

KILLINEY.—To-morrow, Committee meeting, 5.15 sharp.

BRAY.—January 27th—Saturday Cup, 23 entries; Brigadier-General Cockburn—92, 19, 73; Stanley, G. Falkner—88, 14, 74; Dr. Raverty—84, 7, 77. Ladies' Section—Monthly medal—Miss M'Cormick, 7 down; Miss C. Walsh, 9 down. Monthly box—Miss Casey, Miss Taaffe. Limit box—Mrs. J. A. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Hollinshead.

HERMITAGE GOLF CLUB, LUCAN.

A Char-a-banc service will leave O'Connell Bridge on Sundays at 10.45, 11.45 a.m., 12.45 p.m. Call at Park gate. Returning from Club House at 6, 7, 8 p.m.—(Advt.)

HOCKEY.

INTERPROVINCIAL MATCHES.

The following are the arrangements for the interprovincial games to be played to-day and to-morrow:—

To-day at 3.15 p.m.—Munster v. Ulster, on Y.M.C.A. ground, Claremont road, Ballsbridge. Saturday, 2 p.m.—Munster v. the Midlands; Saturday, 3.15 p.m.—Leinster v. Ulster, both on the Railway Union ground, Park avenue, Sandymount.

TEAMS.

Ulster, v. Munster—Greenfield (Lisnagarvey); Sherrard (Derry), Smyth (North Down); Bennington (Queen's), Brolly (Antrim), Lynas (Holywood) (capt.); Lyle (East Antrim), Bailey (Lisnagarvey), Frackleton (Antrim), Varian (Ards), Duncan (Derry).

Ulster, v. Leinster—Dillon (Holywood); Dick (Cliftonville), Sherrard (Derry); Harvey (Banbridge), Malcomson (Queen's), Brolly (Antrim); Browne (Queen's), J. Coburn (Banbridge), MacGregor (Lisnagarvey), Russell (Lisnagarvey) (capt.), N. Coburn (Banbridge).

Leinster team, v. Ulster—C. W. Gibson (Kingstown G. School); C. Blair-White (Dublin University), and H. I. Brown (capt.) (Three Rock Rovers); M. D. Fox (Dublin University), Lieut. M. H. Cork (Royal Hibernians and Beckenham), D. R. Rowlands (Monkstown); J. M. Eyre (Dublin University), V. Sally (Railway Union), W. J. P. MacDonagh (Dublin University), Roland Leitch (Monkstown), C. Sully (Railway Union).

Munster team, v. Ulster and the Midlands—R. O'D. Gillman (Clonakilty); A. Scales (capt.), and W. Steckil (L.P.Y.M.A.); R. Doyle (Crescent), M. Gubbins (L.P.Y.M.A.), G. Casey (C.I., Cork), W. R. Miller (L.P.Y.M.A.), G. Casey (C.I., Cork), F. H. Hall (do.), C. P. Wallace (Limerick Co.), J. H. Eades (L.P.Y.M.A.).

Midlands team, v. Munster—Smyth (Edenderry); McDonnell (Mullingar), Egan (Tullamore); Adams (Tullamore), Blanc (Portarlington), Dixon (Moate); Johnson (Moate), Gibson (Tullamore), Griffith (Moate), Odlam (Portarlington), Reardon (Mullingar).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

Munster v. Ulster. Claremont road, Ballsbridge. 3.15.

G.A.A.

SIGERSON CUP.

The annual Inter-'Varsity competition in Gaelic football for the Sigerson Cup takes place to-morrow (Saturday), 3rd February, and Sunday, 4th, in the Mardyke grounds, Cork. Since its presentation in 1911 by Senator Professor George Sigerson, M.D., the cup has been won four times each by University College, Dublin, and University College, Cork, and twice by University College, Galway, no competition having taken place in 1920-21, and as University College, Galway, are the holders, keen contests are expected for the cup for this year, 1922-23. So far, the competition lay between the University Colleges of Dublin, Cork and Galway, but Queen's University, Belfast, who have organised a Gaelic football club within the past few years, are expected to participate next year, when the competition will be held in University Park, Terenure. The Dublin and Galway teams travel to-day (Friday) to Cork, and play on Saturday, the winners meeting Cork in the final on Sunday, 4th February. The following are the teams:—

University College, Dublin—E. N. M. O'Sullivan (capt.), G. Scanlan, S. Gardner, T. O'Sullivan, S. Lavan, P. Groarke, T. Gardner, J. Grant, E. O'Doherty, G. Conway, B. MacGowan, T. Pierse, J. Henry, G. Maddigan, E. Mongey. Substitutes—P. MacDonnell, J. Kennedy, M. Darcy.

University College, Cork—T. Nunan (capt.), M. Breen, T. Lee, R. Mulcahy, T. Murphy, H. Atkins, M. Murphy, F. O'Shea, M. O'Mahony, T. O'Conor, W. Fleming, T. Fitzgerald, E. Scanlan, J. Kirwan, T. Quinlan. Substitutes—T. Fitzgerald, M. O'Toole.

University College, Galway (holders) — C. O'Flynn (capt.), J. MacDonagh, P. Lenihan, P. Moran, J. Glavey, P. Colleran, P. Hanly, E. Finnegan, M. Murphy, J. Moran, F. Cafferey, V. Sullivan, M. Naughton, W. MacHale, F. Murphy. Substitutes—M. Moran and J. Hannan.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

NOVICES' RACE.

The novices' cross-country race, promoted by County Dublin Board, N.A. and C.A., will be held to-morrow (Saturday) over the Phoenix Park racecourse (kindly granted by Mr. J. H. H. Peard). The following teams will compete:—Dublin University Harriers, Clonliffe Harriers, "A" and "B" teams; Donore Harriers, Dublin City Harriers, Castlevilla Harriers, Kickham A. Club, Harp C. and A. Club, and St. James's Gate Harriers. Each club can run twelve men, so there should be a field of over 100 runners. Great speculation as to the winner of the contest is rife amongst the Dublin harriers, and a very keen race is anticipated. The race will start at 3.15 p.m.

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CRICKET.

M.C.C. IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ENTERTAINMENTS IN VISITORS' HONOUR.

NEWCASTLE (NATAL), Jan. 31.

The same spirit of cordial hospitality which has marked every stage of the M.C.C.'s tour in the Union was present in no less degree on the occasion of their visit here for the match against the Northern Districts. A ball was given in their honour at the Town Hall yesterday evening, and to-day they were entertained to a civic luncheon, at which Senator Greaves proposed the toast of "Our Guests."

Another function is to be held at the Café Chantant this evening, following which the Englishmen will entrain for Johannesburg, where they are due to meet the Transvaal on Saturday. There is increased interest in the game, owing to the fact that Ling, the Griqualand West batsman, who has so far played in every Test this tour, will not be able to take part in the next owing to the grave illness of his mother, and it is most probable that a Transvaaler will be chosen to fill his place.

LEINSTER UNION.

The annual general meeting of the above was held on Monday last, when the following officers were elected for the coming season:—President—T. F. Marchant. Vice-Presidents—His Honour Judge Green, Sir S. H. Cochrane, Bart., D.L.; R. H. Lambert, A. E. Le Peton, M. J. Sullivan, J. G. Aston, W. H. Ede, J. A. Hand. Hon. Treasurer—J. F. Crawford, 9 Herbert street, Dublin. Hon. Secretary—M. H. Maher, "Avonlea," Oaklands Park, Dublin.

ATHLETICS.

PROPOSED INTER-'VARSITY MATCH.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN TELEGRAM.)

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., January 17.

Tentative arrangements for an international track meeting in England next summer between combined Harvard-Yale and Oxford-Cambridge teams were announced to-day by "Bill" Bingham, former Harvard track coach, on his return from a business trip abroad, to which plans for the international event were incidental. The arrangements are subject to the approval of the athletic authorities of the two American Universities. The list of events for the proposed meeting has been increased to twelve from the ten contested in previous international competitions. The hammer throw has been dropped, and a 220-yard sprint, 220-yard hurdles and pole vault added. The meeting would be held on July 14 or July 21 at Queen's Club, London, or in a stadium now being built in the vicinity of London.

The rules tentatively agreed upon provide that each man finishing first in an event would count a point for his team. In case of a tie the contestants finishing second would be taken into account.

MOTOR CYCLING.

MOTOR CYCLE UNION.

The adjourned annual general meeting of the Southern Centre of the Motor Cycle Union of Ireland was held last evening at the Dawson street Club, Dr. T. J. Broderick, President, being in the chair. The consideration of applications for permits for open competitions was resumed, and after considerable discussion permits for the following events were granted:—March 17th, Dublin and District M.C.C. Reliability Trial; March 31st and April 1st (Easter Monday), Leinster M.C.C. two days' trial to Enniscorthy and back; April 14th, Leinster M.C.C. Speed Trial; April 28th, Dublin and District M.C.C. Race Meeting; May 12th, Leinster M.C.C. Novices' Trial; May 21st (Whit Monday), Cork and District M.C.C. Twenty-four Hours' Trial; May 21st, Dublin and District M.C.C. Reliability Trial or Hill Climb; June 16th Leinster M.C.C. Trial; June 29th and 30th, Dublin and District M.C.C. Twenty-four Hours' Trial; July 14th, Leinster Speed Trial; July 28th, Leinster Trial; August 4th and 6th (Bank Holiday), Dublin and District Two-day Trial; August 6th, Ramblers' M.C.C. Reliability Trial; August 18th, Dublin and District M.C.C. Hill Climb or Reliability Trial; August 25th, Leinster M.C.C. Speed Trials at Portmarnock; September 1st, Dublin and District M.C.C. Speed Trials; September 8th, Leinster M.C.C. Inter-club Rally; September 22nd, Dublin and District M.C.C. Portmarnock; September 29th, Leinster Reliability Trial; October 27th, Dublin and District M.C.C. Reliability Trial.

The meeting then took up consideration of the rules, and subsequently adjourned to Wednesday next, the 7th inst., when the discussion on the subject will be resumed.

BOXING.

BEN COLLICOTT v. TEDDY REED.

In a 20 rounds contest at The Ring, Blackfriars, Ben Collicott (Plymouth) beat Teddy Reed (Walworth) on points. Collicott was down twice in the first half, but fought back cleverly, and his superior skill gained the verdict.

PROPOSED MEETING BETWEEN BRENNAN AND FIRPO.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN TELEGRAM.)

BUENOS AYRES, January 18.

Luis Angel Firpo, heavy-weight boxing champion of South America, accepted an offer made by Mr. Tex Rickards, the New York boxing promoter, for a bout with Bill Brennan, in Madison square Gardens, on March 16th. Firpo proposes to sail for the United States on February 1st.

ASSOCIATION.

IRISH CUP.

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BILLIARDS.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

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SMITH v. NEWMAN.

At Orme's, Manchester, yesterday, Smith and Newman continued the fifth of the series of test games for £1,000. Another even-scoring session resulted in Newman totalling 673, while Smith succeeded in reaching his sessional quota of 627 points. Although faced by an excellent position Smith only carried his interrupted effort of 465 to 540, at which point he failed at an ordinary long loser. A break of 283 by Newman was the only item of note for some considerable time, while the champion later collected 174 and 95. Smith, however, reached his points with 193, 90, and 167 (unfinished). Interval scores:—Smith, 4,667; Newman, 3,979.

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IRISH PRODUCTS.

POOR SUPPORT FOR HOME INDUSTRIES.

A statement issued by the head organiser of the Irish Products League, University College, Dublin, says that this country is now in a position of greater dependence on foreign countries, from a trading point of view, than it was two years ago. Then the people felt obliged, either on principle or on compulsion, to buy Irish goods, with the result that manufacture of all kinds received a wonderful impetus.

Following the Truce, the country was inundated with foreign goods, competition with which the Irish manufacturers had not the strength to bear. The result was that the industrial prosperity vanished more quickly than it had grown up. The majority of the manufacturers who went to the cost of extending their premises and installing new plant found that their sales did not justify such expenditure, while thousands of those whom they were compelled to dismiss have since been forced by poverty to join in the civil strife.

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ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

NEW BILL THROUGH COMMITTEE.

UNDER SHERIFFS' WIDE POWERS OF SEIZURE.

Yesterday's sitting of Dail Eireann was almost entirely confined to the consideration in Committee of the Enforcement of Law (Occasional Powers) Bill. Sections 5 to 12 were added to the bill, which is now to be reported to the House.

Several of the sections dealt with the protection which is to be given to the Sub-Sheriff under the Act, and his powers of seizure. The Act also makes provision for the change of Courts of Quarter Sessions from town to town in the same county, at the discretion of the judge.

COMMITTEE STAGE CONCLUDED.

FROM OUR OWN REPORTERS.

The Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. O'Higgins) moved Section 5 of the bill, which states:—"Every person who, after the passing of this Act shall in good faith purchase at a sale by, or under the authority of, an Under-Sheriff, any goods, animals, or other chattels taken in execution by such Under-Sheriff shall acquire a good title valid against all persons to the goods, animals, and chattels so purchased, notwithstanding any invalidity or irregularity in or about the seizure or sale of such goods, animals, or chattels, and whether he knows, or ought, or could have known, or is affected in any kind of notice that the sale is a sale by or under the authority of an Under-Sheriff or not."

There was no amendment, except that the word Sub-Sheriff was substituted for the word Under-Sheriff, and on a division the motion was passed by 28 votes to 11, and the section stood part of the bill.

PROTECTION FOR THE SHERIFF.

Mr. Kevin O'Higgins (Minister for Home Affairs) moved Section 6:—"The power and authority of a Sub-Sheriff to sell any goods, animals, or other chattels taken in execution by him shall not be prejudiced or affected by reason of such goods, animals or chattels having been out of the custody of the Under-Sheriff, or his custody thereof having been by any means interrupted at any time or times between the time of the seizure and the time of the actual sale of such goods, animals and chattels."

He said that cattle going by train or on board ship were as much in the possession of the Under-Sheriff as if they were consigned to him. The section simply meant that no interruption of actual personal custody would break the seizure by the Under-Sheriff.

On a division, the section became part of the bill by 21 votes to 10.

BREAKING IN.

NO ACTION TO LIE.

Mr. O'Higgins then moved Section 7, as follows:—"No action, whether for damages or trespass, or otherwise, shall lie against an Under-Sheriff for or on account of his having entered or broken into any lands, house, close, or other premises, for the purpose of taking into execution any goods, animals, or other chattels which were, or might be on or in such lands, house, close, or premises, or for or on account of any injury occasioned to such lands, house, or premises, by or in the course of such entry or breaking in."

Mr. Gavan Duffy moved an amendment to delete the words, "whether for damages or trespass or otherwise."

This was accepted.

Mr. Gavan Duffy then moved a second amendment. After the words, "close or other premises," to insert the words, "of a person against whom he is called upon to enforce a judgment order or decree," and after the words, "or other chattels," lines 60 and 61, to insert the words, "of such person." He said that the section as it stood gave a very dangerous power to the Under-Sheriff, and he submitted that the clause was unnecessary, except so far as it protected the Sheriff in breaking into the house of a debtor; but the section went further and provided that no action would lie against him even if he broke into the house of a person other than the debtor and found no goods there.

Mr. Gerald FitzGibbon, K.C. (Trinity College), supported the amendment. He said that he thought that the Under-Sheriff did require statutory authority to get into the debtor's house. Taking the view of the Government in this act, and the necessity for it, he thought that power was rightly taken. They should have power now to resist force with force and to overcome force, and he thought that they were entitled to distrain goods which were withheld from the law; but the Under-Sheriff had no right to break into the house of another person and not to be liable for the damage done in so breaking in. He (Mr. FitzGibbon) could say that he had a strong suspicion that his debtor had put his goods next door; and if that man's house was broken into he would have no remedy against the Under-Sheriff at present. He thought, therefore, that the Under-Sheriff should get power to break into a debtor's house, but not the house of another person. When a Sheriff was going to recover goods he would know very well what he was going to find, and would make no mistake about it. He feared that if this power was given for a public purpose, it might be grossly abused for private purposes. He, therefore, supported the amendment of Mr. Gavan Duffy.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he did not think that Mr. Gavan Duffy had much knowledge of the country. He might find himself in this position, that by the removal of a bush from a gap and the driving of stock into another man's land the law could be defeated. Deputy Gavan Duffy could buy a piano for £30, promising to pay for it in six months. He could also buy eight cattle at £10 a head and put them on another deputy's land, and the person that he promised to pay for the piano could not seize the cattle under execution of the decree. He might, of course; but he could not go in to look for them unless he was absolutely certain that they were there. There was nothing harsh about this section. The Sheriff may enter if he had a reasonable certainty that the cattle or goods were there, and he would accept an amendment on those lines, but he could not accept an amendment putting the under-sheriff in the position that he should be absolutely certain before he could go into another farm or house to seize cattle or goods.

On a division, the section became part of the bill by 32 votes to 10.

ABSENCE OF FRAUD.

SATISFYING A DEBT.

Mr. O'Higgins moved that Section 8 be added to the bill, as follows:—"From and after the passing of this Act, and notwithstanding any enactment, rule of law, or order to the contrary, no action shall lie against and no penalty shall be incurred by any under-sheriff in the absence of fraud, malice, or gross negligence for or on account of his having seized or sold under any writ of *fieri facias* or any decree of a Civil Bill Court more goods, animals, or other chattels than would or might be sufficient to meet the full amount of the debt or sum of money, and all costs, fees, charges, and expenses leviable by law (including this Act) under or by virtue of such writ or decree."

He said that the meaning of the section was simply to safeguard the under-sheriff, so that if he took reasonable care he would not be liable for action for seizure in excess of the debt, or plus any charges or fees. When it came to a question of value, the under-sheriff might find himself in the position that he would have insufficient goods to meet the debt. He could be so safeguarded that unless malice or gross negligence could be proved against him, he should not be liable for action for the seizure of goods which were value for more than the amount of the debt.

Mr. FitzGibbon K.C., suggested that at the end of line 6, after the word "more," the words "or less" should be introduced, because the under-sheriff was also liable for under seizure. The object of the law was to have things done fairly, and the debtor should also be safeguarded against under-seizure.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he thought the suggestion was reasonable, and he was prepared to accept it off hand.

The words "or less" were therefore inserted, and the section, as amended, became part of the bill.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

POWERS OF THE JUDGES.

Mr. O'Higgins moved the adoption of Section 10, which provided for the places in which Quarter Sessions and Civil Bill Courts may be held. He explained that sub-section 2 of that section enabled the judge to change the sitting of his court from one town to another in the same county, but not to a town in another county, with the approval of the Minister. In the present state of things in the country it might happen that a court could be conveniently held in the town, and this sub-section made reasonable and necessary provision for changing the venue.

The clause, with its sub-section, was agreed to by a majority.

SERVICE OF BILLS AND SUMMONSES.

Section 11 provided for the service of civil bills and jurors' summonses, and the substitution for the ordinary mode of service of any mode by which the judge was satisfied that a copy of the document did, in fact, reach the person required to be served therewith.

Mr. Figgis moved to insert a new sub section to the effect that the County Court Judge may, in his discretion, rule that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to any decree or decrees, if it shall seem to him that they would prove harsh or injurious, and that the debtor or debtors are willing, but are, by force of circumstances, unable, to pay, and in that case all other statutes shall apply as if this Act had not been passed.

Mr. Gorey supported the amendment, and mentioned that it would afford relief to farmers and others who were honestly unable to pay their rents, owing to circumstances over which they had no control.

Mr. McGoldrick (Donegal) also supported the amendment.

Mr. Thomas Johnson said that the farmers' representatives had supported the bill all through, but now they were asking for special machinery to be put into force in respect of a certain class of debt. They ought not to discriminate between one class of debtor and another. The proposed amendment, he said, was inconsistent with the principle of the bill.

Mr. Gerald FitzGibbon said that, even if the amendment were passed, those whom the deputies who supported it represented would be very gravely disappointed. The proposed sub-section would not relieve any debtor from the effect of any decree. It would not enable a County Court judge to put a stay upon the execution of a decree which was, perhaps, what the proposer of the sub-section intended.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he could not accept the amendment. He believed that if the debtor made a reasonable proposal to the judge, the judge would put a stay on the execution of the decree, and give the debtor a chance of paying in a way that would not be hard upon him. Even the Courts in the past were not instruments of oppression, and he felt confident that the new Courts would not act in a harsh way.

RENT SETTLEMENTS.

Mr. P. J. Hogan, Minister of Agriculture, said that at the moment there was an average of one and a half years' rent due, and of that amount there was only about ten per cent. for which decrees had been taken out. He did not believe that writs were being issued wholesale at the moment, but here and there decrees for rents were being executed. There were not decrees, as yet, for more than 10 per cent. of the rents due, and there could be no further decrees in the County Courts, now that the Hilary Sessions were over, for about two months, and there could be no decrees on foot of writs for about a month. The landlords, in many places, had offered certain reductions, and in that sense had admitted the necessity for reduction. Within the next month the landlords and tenants could meet, either in their county organisations, or as suited them, for settling their differences. Some landlords and tenants had already settled their differences.

If the question was approached by both sides—and he used the words, by both sides, advisedly—in a spirit of equity they could easily arrive at a settlement; it would be more satisfactory than any arrangement imposed on them by the State. No business man could expect the Government to exclude rents from the operations of the Act, having regard to the fact that there were only ten per cent. of the decrees at most, and that there was at least a month for all parties to come to an arrangement about the remaining 90 per cent. "The farmers," the Minister added, "have a greater interest in the credit of the country than, perhaps, any other class, and I am quite confident that they will look at the whole question in that light."

Mr. O'Higgins said that the suggestion regarding the stay of execution was not a new one. The judges in the past had always exercised their discretion, and he thought that it would be an improper thing for a vague expression of opinion to be inserted in the bill pointing out that the judges had that discretion to exercise.

On a division the amendment was defeated by 36 votes to 16.

A second division was called by Mr. Johnson, on the motion that the Section (11) stand part of the bill.

The motion was carried by 38 votes to 13.

TITLE OF THE ACT.

MEASURE TO REMAIN IN FORCE FOR SIX MONTHS.

The Minister for Home Affairs moved the adoption of Section 12, which cites the Act as the Enforcement of Law (Occasional Powers) Act, 1923, and provides that it shall continue in force for six months.

Mr. Figgis (Dublin County) moved as an amendment, to insert before this section, the following new section:—"Provided always that the provisions of this Act shall only apply in the case of debts incurred as a result of genuine trading transactions, or in the case of failure to pay either taxes or rates, and shall not apply to debts incurred as a result of money-lending transactions, except where the interest paid on such money-lending transactions is at the rate of 7½ per cent. per annum or under."

The Minister for Home Affairs said that provisions were made in the Money Lenders Act to meet the case of unfortunate people who might become the victims of money lenders.

The amendment was lost, and the motion was passed.

It was agreed that the clause should stand part of the bill, and the bill be reported to the Dail.

THE ARMY CODE.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS.

On the motion for adjournment,

Mr. O'Shannon (Louth-Meath) mentioned that, although it had been stated two weeks ago in the House that the Army Disciplinary Code could be purchased from public booksellers, it was not possible to so purchase it. He asked that all Government publications should be available at booksellers' premises.

The Minister for Local Government said that owing to an oversight the Army regulations were not sent to Messrs. Eason, but that could be rectified. All Government publications would be sent to the agents, except where specific instructions to the contrary were given.

Professor Magennis (National University) asked if it was true that copies of the Constitution had been withdrawn from sale.

The Chairman said that it had been temporarily withdrawn in connection with the translation.

Mr. Johnson (Dublin County) suggested that the price of the daily official reports should be reduced.

The Minister for Local Government said that the suggestion was a reasonable one, and he would mention it to the Minister for Finance.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

STATUS OF DAIL EMPLOYES.

Mr. Figgis (County Dublin) asked the Minister for Finance whether it was the intention of the Ministry to place employés of the Second Dail who were at present working under the Saorstat on the permanent staff, and, if so, what would form the basis of their placing in the new grades.

The Minister for Finance replied that the pre-truce staff of the departments of the Second Dail was being absorbed into the permanent Civil Service. The placing of these officers was a matter for consideration in individual cases, as it depended upon the qualifications and merits of the individual, but it was proposed in all cases to give pensionable *status* as from the date of original appointment under the Dail.

IRISH PASSPORTS.

Mr. Figgis (County Dublin) asked the Minister for External Affairs, having regard to the provisions of Article 3 of the Constitution of Saorstat Eireann, when he proposed to issue Irish passports; and if he was aware that the position of Irish citizens at present resident in foreign countries remained a most anomalous one pending this decision.

The President, replying on behalf of the Minister for External Affairs, said that this matter was under consideration, and at present the Government was not in a position to make any pronouncement upon it.

THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

Mr. Thomas Johnson (Dublin County) asked the Minister for Defence whether his attention had been called to the statements made at a meeting of the Dublin Corporation on Monday, 22nd. ult., by responsible public representatives (e.g., Senator Mrs. Wyse Power and Councillor M. J. Moran), to the effect that prisoners who signed a document promising not to take up arms against the Government, or aid or abet others in doing so, would be released forthwith; whether this was a correct statement of the position, and was it to be inferred that those persons who were still detained as prisoners had refused to sign the document in question.

Mr. Morrissey (Tipperary Mid., North and South) had another question on the subject. He asked the Minister for Defence whether he was aware that over sixty prisoners in the county prison, Limerick, who had signed the form promising not to take up arms against the Government of Saorstát Eireann, or assist any other person in so doing, were still detained as prisoners, and what additional test was required of a prisoner who had not been convicted of an offence to obtain release.

The Minister for Defence, replying to both questions, said that, in addition to his signing the usual form of undertaking, it was required, before releasing any prisoner, that the Intelligence Officer and the officer commanding the area in which the prisoner was arrested should certify that the word given in the matter might be taken, and that the prisoner might be released without, in their opinion, danger to the public. He had not seen the statements in question, but it might be inferred that a large number of those persons still detained were persons who had not offered to sign the required form of undertaking, and, in the case of any in respect of whom acceptance of such an undertaking had been refused, it was open to them also to make any special statement or appeal in their own case.

THE RAILWAY TO BORRIS.

Mr. O'Callaghan (Wexford) asked the Minister for Industry and Commerce whether he was aware that the limited train service between Bagenalstown and Borris, which had been maintained by the Great Southern and Western Railway after the stoppage of the remainder of the branch line to Palace East by the wrecking of a train at Ballywilliam on the 11th ult., had now been entirely suspended; whether the only reason for the suspension was that the engineer in charge of the break-down operations at Ballywilliam sent the engines and carriages used on the Borris service to Dublin after the break-down train had been wrecked on another branch (Bagenalstown-Gowran) on the 14th ult.; whether the Borris-Bagenalstown line has been profitable in working, and not affected, so far, by any destructive attacks, and whether the Minister would use his influence to prevent the increase in the price of coal and foodstuffs and general dislocation of trade in Borris, by insisting on the railway company maintaining this service.

The Minister for Industry and Commerce replied that the Great Southern and Western Railway Company stated that this section of its railway had been closed because the service it rendered was not considered essential under present conditions, and because it was being worked at a loss. He understood, however, that the company intended to provide, if possible, a special train for the weekly fairs at Borris. While the railway companies were endeavouring under difficulties to maintain essential services out of their own resources the opening or closing of particular sections of the line must be left largely to their discretion. The position of the Bagenalstown-Borris branch had, however, already been brought to his attention, and he was considering whether he would be justified in pressing the company to re-open it.

The House adjourned until 3 p.m. to-day.

NURSERYMAN'S CLAIM.

In the King's Bench Division yesterday, before Mr. Justice Samuels, in the case of William Bradshaw, nurseryman, of Warrington Park, Artane, Co. Dublin, v. the Local Government Board for Ireland,

Mr. Moonan (instructed by Mr. C. J. Muray, LL.D.), applied on behalf of the plaintiff for an order for discovery of documents. The action was brought, counsel said, for £359 5s., the price of goods sold and delivered by the plaintiff to the defendants. The action arose out of the supply of thorn quicks to the defendants. The Local Government Board were engaged, under the Soldiers and Sailors Act, in building cottages near Killester. The plaintiff supplied them with these thorn quicks for the purpose of planting gardens. All the powers of the Local Government Board, except the powers under the Act referred to, had now been transferred to the Free State Government; and the Board was in existence for the purpose of the Act. On the 14th of last June the Court made an order that service of the writ should be made upon Mr. R. E. Beckerson, who had an office in Fitzwilliam street.

Mr. Justice Samuels made an order for discovery. He said that, perhaps, Messrs. Mecredy, solicitors, should be communicated with, in order to ascertain who would be the proper person to make an affidavit of discovery if Mr. Beckerson was not the party. On the name being handed in the order for discovery would be given.

FLOWER SELLER STRANGLED.

At Portsmouth yesterday, an inquest on the body of Mary Pelham, the Portsea flower seller, who was on Saturday discovered dead in her bed, was adjourned for three weeks.

The Police Surgeon who examined the body deposed that at the time of his examination the woman had been dead ten hours. In his opinion she had been struck with a bottle and stunned, and subsequently strangled by her assailant.

Mr. W. J. Vaughan, headmaster of the Tate School, Wexford, has been admitted a Fellow of the College of Preceptors, London.

LADY'S BEQUEST.

£67,000 FOR IRISH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

PROBATE GRANTED.

The hearing was resumed yesterday, before the Lord Chief Justice, in the Northern King's Bench, of the action by David Wallace, Carnmoney, Co. Antrim, against the executrices of the late Sir Alexander McDowell, solicitor, Belfast, claiming to have set aside certain residuary bequests made to the Irish Presbyterian Church by the late Mrs. Fulton, formerly proprietor of Clonard Print Works, of whose will the late Sir Alexander McDowell was the sole executor.

The Right Rev. Dr. W. J. Lowe, General Secretary and Clerk of the General Assembly of the Irish Presbyterian Church, said that Sir Alexander McDowell was one of the Church's most prominent laymen, and was appointed law agent, and was a member of a number of committees and convener of some committees. Sir Alexander was interested in all the activities of the Church, and was a very consistent attender at the General Assembly, especially for twenty years before he died, and very often spoke at the Assembly, when he could advance the business in hand.

Witness said he did not know of the £20,000 bequest until after the death of Sir Alexander McDowell, in 1918.

Evidence was given by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCartney, both of whom declared that the deceased lady attended Albert street Presbyterian Church, and was a good, religious woman. She was a wise, sensible woman with a mind of her own.

Serjeant Hanna said the defendants did not call any further evidence, and asked for a direction on the grounds that there was no evidence of undue influence, and no evidence of want of knowledge and approval.

Mr. Murphy, K.C., submitted there was evidence of undue influence.

The Lord Chief Justice—What is it?

Mr. Murphy—There is the opportunity. I agree that is not enough. Secondly, there is the fact that the person against whom undue influence is alleged stands in the very special relationship. He stands in the relation not merely as solicitor, but as a person who had control of this lady's entire financial arrangements. The control went so far that all letters were brought down to Sir Alexander McDowell's office unopened, and they never came back. It is admitted that he was acting as solicitor from the death of William Wallace Fulton, who had an estate of £70,000, and, according to the evidence, a lady who was entitled absolutely to that entire estate, was living on the income of £5,000, and even during the son's lifetime she was living on the sum of £20 a month. Under these circumstances there was evidence the jury must consider as to the special relationship between Sir Alexander McDowell and the deceased.

After further argument, the Lord Chief Justice said he was not prepared to withdraw the case from the jury.

Mr. Murphy, K.C., addressing the jury, said that they knew from the evidence of Sir Alexander McDowell's great and vital interest in his Church, and they also knew his position with regard to the old lady. No improper motive was suggested against Sir Alexander McDowell, because he may have thought it would be an excellent thing for the money to go to charity. The clause was really Sir Alexander McDowell's clause, and there was nothing to show that the old lady understood it or appreciated its effects.

Serjeant Hanna, in reply, pointed out that evidence had been given that the whole of the accounts kept by Sir Alexander McDowell for Mrs. Fulton had been audited, and found in order, and that Mrs. Fulton had given legacies to thirty-one of her relatives.

The jury found for the defendants, and a decree of probate was given with costs against the plaintiff.

CHANCERY SUIT.

WATERFORD LADY'S APPLICATION.

In the Chancery Division, before Mr. Justice Powell, the action in which Miss Adelaide Eleanor Langley, of 9 Cathedral square, Waterford, was plaintiff, and Mr. Murdock Green Foley, solicitor, of 7 Lower Ormond quay, Dublin, was defendant, was listed on an application on behalf of the plaintiff for judgment in the terms of the prayer of the statement of claim by reason of the default of the defendant in not entering an appearance to the action.

There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant.

Mr. Lardner, K.C., with whom was Mr. R. T. Cherry (instructed by Messrs. Dobbyn and McCoy), stated the case for the plaintiff. He said his task had been made very easy by reason of the very clear way in which his junior, Mr. Cherry, had set out the complicated facts in the statement of claim. The plaintiff claimed an order that the trusts of the settlement, dated 23rd January, 1865, executed upon the marriage of Matthew Langley, of Knockanure, Co. Tipperary, and Adelaide Caroline Langley (*née* Ryall), of Knockinglass, Co. Tipperary, be executed under the order of the Court; an injunction restraining the defendant selling, disposing, or otherwise dealing with the stocks and shares or other investments, securities, or funds, the subject matter of the settlement; and an account of all funds the subject of the trusts of the settlement, received by the defendant as trustee under the settlement. The plaintiff is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Langley. Counsel referred to the statement of claim, in which it was stated that Mr. Matthew Langley died many years ago, and that his widow died intestate on the 26th August, 1922, aged 96 years. Administration of her estate was granted to the plaintiff. At the date of her death Mrs. Langley and the defendant, Mr. Green Foley, were trustees of the settlement of 1865, and the defendant is now the surviving trustee. £396 16s. 3d. Cape of Good Hope 3½ per cent. Stock and £2,855 14s. 2d. Midland Railway of England 2½ per cent. Preference Stock now represent portion of the trust property the subject of the settlement. These stocks stand in the names of the defendant and Mrs. Langley, and on proof of the latter's death will stand in the name of the defendant. In addition, there is a further sum of about £900, portion of the trust property which the plaintiff believed that the defendant had realised, since he had refused to render any account of it. The solicitors for the plaintiff had made repeated efforts, both on her behalf and previously on behalf of her grandmother, to obtain information from the defendant with reference to the trust property, and, in particular, with a view to getting from him copies of the deeds appointing new trustees of the settlement, and getting him to render an account of the funds, the subject of the trusts of the settlement, which had passed through his hands. The defendant had refused to produce the deeds, or to render any account of the trust funds.

Shortly before her death, the defendant sent Mrs. Langley a power of attorney for the sale of a sum of £305 17s. 0d. 3½ per cent. Natal Stock, portion of the trust funds under the settlement, which she ultimately signed on the condition that the defendant should give instructions to the brokers through whom he was selling to transmit the proceeds of the sale of the stock direct to her. This Natal Stock was sold on the 10th August, 1922, but the proceeds of sale were not paid to Mrs. Langley nor to the credit of her estate. The plaintiff had since received £140 from the defendant on account of the proceeds of the sale of the stock.

Mr. Justice Powell made an order for the administration of the trusts under the Court, and granted the injunction asked for. He gave the plaintiff the costs of the action to date, together with the costs of two motions. He complimented Mr. Cherry on the manner in which the statement of claim had been prepared.

CHEAPER FARES TO AMERICA.

Improvement in the value of British money in the U.S.A. is said to be responsible for the reduction, which has just been announced, of the surcharge on westbound British sterling rates from 15 p.c. to 7½ p.c., to take effect as from February 1.

A cabin passage, Queenstown to New York, can now be purchased for £25 15s., and a third class berth for £16.

A Fredrickton (New Brunswick) telegram says:—The Premier and Cabinet have resigned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

IRISH EDUCATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—To-day's papers contain an account of another interview given by the Minister of Education to Press representatives in relation to the Government's attitude towards the future of Irish education. Lay secondary teachers cannot but regard his references to them in this statement as again unsatisfactory, and from some points of view the new statement is even more perplexing than the former.

The Minister says that at the moment he is "considering plans for the better distribution of the funds in the equitable interest of secondary teachers." It is good to find that he has been thinking of us, though he leaves us in doubt as to what he precisely means. Does the quotation mean that additional funds for the payment of secondary teachers are to be made available; and in what way, and to what extent, will they react on the position of the lay teachers? Or is the quotation open to the interpretation that it is proposed to substitute one grant, made up of the several existing grants, and one scheme of distribution for the many?

Again, he says that he would like to see "the whole *status* of the teacher put on a better footing than at present, and the teacher, whether primary or secondary, having equal *status* with any other professional man or woman in the country." We welcome that statement, but we are constrained to ask the Minister when he really intends to carry out that dictum so far as the lay secondary teacher is concerned and how he proposes to do it. As has been so often pointed out in your columns, the present *status* of the lay secondary teacher just means that he is grossly underpaid, that he gets no recognition for cumulative experience and advancing years, that no provision is made for his old age, and that his tenure of employment is disgracefully uncertain.

Dr. MacNeill recognises the existence of all these disabilities and appreciates their inevitable influence on Irish education, for we have made them known to him. Accepting his opinion that the artificial separation between primary and secondary education should cease, will he not then agree that, logically, the proper constructive method by which the linking-up of the two systems can be best effected is that which will, in the first place, raise the *status* of the secondary teacher to that of the primary teacher, and then further raise that level for all?

Dr. MacNeill's declaration that there was no country in which there was more general zeal for education than in Ireland naturally pre-supposes, from the national point of view, an equal zeal for the right and well-being of the teachers. The Minister has now a golden opportunity to encourage and direct that educational zeal by placing the lay secondary teachers in the position to which he admits they are entitled, and thus remove from Ireland's fair fame one of the foulest blots of two generations. Will he not act up to the trust reposed by the Irish people in an Irish Minister for Irish education?

Dr. MacNeill appears to think financial difficulties bar his way. We cannot agree that there is any inherent financial barrier to the adjustment of our claims. The State now bears the cost of the salaries of some 16,000 or 18,000 national teachers; the establishment of salary scales for secondary teachers would affect about one-tenth of that number; and a superannuation fund for secondary teachers would, in its initial stage, cost no more than £6,000 or £8,000. We cannot believe that the Minister should experience any difficulty in finding the comparatively small sum that would be necessary to finance salary scales and pensions for secondary teachers.

We again appeal to the Minister for Education to put his theories into practical operation, and to start his reforms logically by granting now to secondary teachers an adequate professional *status*.—Yours, etc.,

TOMÁS DE BÚRC,
General Secretary, A.S.T.I.

Dublin, January 30th, 1923.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I would like to ask the Minister of Education, through your hospitable columns, when all this uncertainty as to the new programme for secondary schools and the means to be employed in working it is to end.

Headmasters, assistant-masters, and students are constantly asking: Is this the final year for the Intermediate, as we have known it? Is there any use in further working this sickly and dying thing? Dr. MacNeill, as a professor, knows how unsatisfactory, unfair, and dangerous this state of things is, even from the students' point of view.

The question of co-ordination has been mentioned. It is moonshine to speak of co-ordinating the so-called secondary system with other systems, for there is no secondary system.

We have a makeshift built up by purely private enterprise, and then grafted upon at various points. You cannot, I submit, co-ordinate if there is on one side nothing to co-ordinate with. Besides, with the present anxious times for the Government, all visionary, unbusiness-like, and revolutionary schemes should be dropped.

My proposition is: Make the so-called secondary system a real living system, and constructed in such a manner that, at a future and early (if possible) date, the scheme may with ease be dove-tailed into and co-ordinated with the other systems. This is the most crying need in Irish education to-day.

The scheme with its programme could be ready by September for the schools and colleges.

To all this there is one great stumbling block which I have not lost sight of. Will the scheme work? Will the scheme be worked?

The Minister of Education can answer readily, for he has the resolution of an extraordinary general meeting (April '22) of secondary teachers declining to have hand or act in any new programme or new scheme unless the concession of their just claims was embodied in that scheme. These claims are too well known by the Government.

Unpatriotic of those teachers, some may say. As well argue that the new Seanad is unpatriotic because it voted its members substantial payment before it began its arduous labours, and one body does State work just as the other.

Secondary teachers have rights as well as duties, and are determined to stand up for these rights. Settlement of the question is long overdue.—Yours, etc.,

J. E. CONWAY.

Kia-Ora, Blackrock, Co. Dublin,
February 1st, 1923.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The reply of the Minister for Education to the question as to "whether it was in contemplation to pay secondary teachers in the same way as primary teachers" has been a source of speculation and, perhaps, anxiety to the mass of secondary teachers.

If I interpret correctly the Minister's statement, I take it that primary and secondary teachers will in the future receive the same training at the expense of the State; the conditions for registration as a secondary teacher will no longer be of account, and the funds available for education will be distributed impartially.

At present, for the purposes of preparation for his profession, the primary teacher has had to pass an entrance examination and spend two years in a residential training college, the entire cost being defrayed by the State. The initial salary of the primary teacher is £170, and the teacher can hope to reach a *maximum* of over £600 a year.

The secondary teacher is required to follow, at his own expense, a four years' course in a University College, taking a degree in Arts or Science and a higher diploma in Education, and to spend a qualifying period of another three years in a recognised secondary school, before being registered as a secondary teacher. The initial average salary of the secondary teacher is less than £3 10s. a week, and the *maximum* salary is the same as the *minimum*. And for this income, all his time, money and energy have been invested!

Thus, the primary teacher, with his better salary and prospects, his shorter period of training and his assured position, has good reason to congratulate himself. He may rise to the highest rank in his profession; and he gets preference in appointments to Inspectorships and training college staffs. The secondary teacher can never hope to attain the dignity of headmaster, so that even under reformed conditions he would still be handicapped, his more arduous work and longer training notwithstanding.

To my mind, it is premature to discuss the future of the secondary teacher until something has been done to relieve his immediate wants. Great changes are about to be made in secondary education, new programmes have been drafted; but no legislation in the interests of the secondary teacher has been introduced, or even made mention of.

The secondary teacher has too long borne the burden of distress and continual disappointment. Is it not time, therefore, and is it not only fair that the Minister for Education should make the needs of the secondary teacher his first care in the intended reforms of secondary education?—Yours, etc.,

P. J. DOWLING.

Dublin, February 1st, 1923.

REPRISALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Some misunderstanding has arisen respecting the discussion at the *Dail* on the reprisals' question, because the matter was not pressed to a division. I desire to explain that, according to Standing Orders, I was precluded from moving the resolution which I read at the close of questions, and, consequently, the discussion could only arise in a general way on the motion for the adjournment.—Yours, etc.,

THOMAS JOHNSON.

Dublin, February 1st, 1923.

PORTER AND STOUT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—During the sittings of the Commission on Prices certain important facts have come to light in regard to the profits made in the sale of porter and stout, which it is very desirable that the consuming public should fully appreciate.

At present prices the gross profits made on the sale of one barrell (32 gallons) each is as follows:—

Draught porter	£3	0	5
Draught stout	5	0	3
Bottled stout (consumed on premises)	9	6	7
Bottled stout (consumed off premises)	5	10	3
	£22	17	6

The profit on the sale of one barrel of each of above *per* week would show, in 52 weeks, a gross profit of £1,189 10s. 0d. If five barrels of each *per* week were sold, the total profit would be £5,947 10s. 0d.

The corresponding figures in 1914 were:—

Profit on 1 barrel	£5	6	9
Profit in 52 weeks on 1 barrel sold *per* week	277	11	0
Profit on 5 barrels of each *per* week for 52 weeks	1,387	15	0

As a set-off against the huge profits earned at present, the publicans claim that they are getting only one-half the amount sold in 1914.

A point which consumers should not overlook is the fact that draught stout costs 1s. *per* pint, and presumably, therefore, 6d. *per* half-pint; but should the consumer obtain a bottle of stout, he receives only one half-pint, for which he pays 8d.—in other words, he pays 2d. extra because the half-pint has been put into a bottle, and a cork has to be drawn and paid for.—Yours, etc.,

"ANTI-PROFITEER."

Dublin, February 1st, 1923.

REGARDING PETROL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—A question that arises in the mind of the dispassionate onlooker regarding these nocturnal conflagrations is: Where does the petrol come from? If the supply was controlled it would surely make this campaign of destruction less childishly simple than it appears to be at present. Even the complete stoppage of all motor traffic, other than military, for a while, would be tolerated by the general public, if they felt it would prevent the destruction of noble buildings, historic treasures, and works of art that can never be replaced, together with the loss of entire trains and thousands of tons of hay.—Yours, etc.,

"A WOULD-BE PATRIOT."

Co. Wexford, February 1st, 1923.

CONSUMERS AND FARMING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Allow a grateful reader to thank you for publishing, and Mr. Mennell for writing, his charming letter in last Friday's issue of your journal, so frank and open, and so whimsical. Well has he taken to heart the poet's advice, *ridentem dicere verum*, to tell the truth with a laugh.

Will you grant me space to amplify one small point? Mr. Mennell speaks of the little things that could be big things. The cultivation of fruit and vegetables is to him a little thing: but how big a thing is the excessive drinking in our midst has been shown lately by the correspondence evoked in your columns and in the columns of your contemporaries by the letter of Dr. Coffey, of Maynooth. There is a connection between the two things. A friendly policeman with whom I chanced recently to fall into conversation said to me, "When I came to the township, twenty years ago, we would often have as many as forty-five men in the lock-up on a Saturday night, but now we are proud if we have one old woman."

This change, deplorable from the point of view of promotion, he attributed in part to "plots"—allotment plots. How satisfactory for us all if the plots were the big thing and the drinking the little thing!

We should remember, too, that there is a rural as well as an urban aspect of plots. In urban areas plot-holders want continuous facilities for a supply of plots rather than security of tenure of existing plots. In rural areas much might be done by our councils, controlled as they so often are by workers, to see that those who do not cultivate their gardens learn to mend their ways or make room for those who will grow vegetables and fruit. Such small areas are not worked as economically as ranches or as corn fields.—Yours, etc.,

J. E. GEOGHEGAN.

Dublin, February 1, 1923.

ACTION FOR £10,000.

PETROL CASE ADJOURNED.

Yesterday, in the King's Bench Division, in the Lecture Hall of the King's Inns, Henrietta street, the hearing was to have been resumed, before Mr. Justice Pim and a city special jury, of the case, Lloyd's Bank, Ltd., v. Fleming and others (bill of exchange), at hearing.

At the sitting of the Court,

The Associate (Mr. Sweeney) announced that, in consequence of illness, Mr. Justice Pim was unable to attend the court, and consequently the case would stand adjourned until Monday next at 11 a.m.

A LOUTH SLANDER ACTION.

Before Mr. Justice Samuels, in the case of Barron v. Barron, an action brought by Rose Barron, of Cullenstown, Co. Louth, against Thomas Barron, formerly of Cullenstown, and subsequently residing in Dublin, for alleged slander, and in which, on the hearing of an application on behalf of the defendant to set aside an interlocutory judgment obtained by the plaintiff, an order was made last week for the examination of a local civil bill officer, and the defendant and his sister, in reference to the service of a writ on the defendant.

Mr. Lardner, K.C., who, with Mr. J. Henry (instructed by Messrs. Dickie, Coulter, and Hamill), appeared for the plaintiff, stated that he did not propose to trouble his lordship with any evidence, as the defendant had agreed to pay the plaintiff £10 10s., costs of the motion, the defendant to file his defence in the action within three days of the delivery of the statement of claim, and to take five days' notice of trial. The defendant further undertook to vacate the interlocutory judgment at his own expense.

Mr. Wood, K.C., and Mr. Lavery (instructed by Mr. D. O'Connell), were for the defendant.

The civil bill officer, it appeared, had stated on affidavit that the writ had been served personally by him, and this was denied by the defendant, who also denied on affidavit that any such service had been effected.

Lady Alice Mary Howard, of Wingfield, Bray, sister of the Earl of Wicklow, who died on December 4, aged 85 years, left property in England and Ireland of the value of £21,155 12s. 8d.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

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The Senate of the University of Sydney invites application for the Chair of Physics, to which is attached a salary of £1,100 per annum, together with rights to a pension of £400 per annum on certain conditions. The Professor appointed will be expected to enter on his duties on 1st August, 1923; £150 will be allowed for travelling expenses from Europe.

Further details concerning the appointment may be obtained on written request to THE AGENT-GENERAL FOR NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA HOUSE, STRAND, LONDON, W.C. 2, to whom applications for the position, in sextuplicate, accompanied by copies of testimonials (if any), should be sent so as to reach him not later than WEDNESDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1923. There is no special form of application. All correspondence addressed to the Agent-General in connection with the appointment should be marked on the outside of the envelope "University of Sydney."

T. A. COGHLAN,
Agent-General for New South Wales.
London, 30th January, 1923.

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The Sisters of Charity are deeply grateful to the many generous friends who so kindly and thoughtfully sent valuable gifts of turkeys, cakes, vegetables, etc., etc., to help to make the Christmas pleasant and happy for their patients.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1923.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The Enforcement of Law Bill passed through Committee at yesterday's sitting of Dail Eireann, and was ordered to be reported to the House.

Four prisoners have escaped from the Sligo Courthouse Prison by cutting through the cell bars in a basement.

A goods train at Dog's road Bridge, near Waterford, has been derailed and thrown down an embankment.

Senator John Bagwell, who was kidnapped at Howth on Tuesday evening, escaped from his captors yesterday morning and returned to Dublin. He left Dublin last night for a rest.

Armed men last night sprinkled with petrol and burned Rockfield House, Dublin, the residence of Mr. J. J. Reddin, father of Mr. Kenneth S. Reddin, a Free State District Justice.

ABROAD

The Ambassadors' Conference has given the Memel insurgents seven days in which to leave the town.

Our Political Correspondent says that the new Anglo-American debt terms will not bring immediate relief to the taxpayer. Our Washington Correspondent says that Congress will undoubtedly ratify the terms.

Russia refused to sign the Straits Convention at Lausanne yesterday. Turkey signed after making a few minor reservations.

SPORTING.

At Sandown Park yesterday Gerald L. won the Prince of Wales's Handicap Steeplechase.

COMMERCIAL

London Stock Markets improved under the influence of the American debt settlement, but business was small.

There was pressure for money in Lombard street. Foreign Exchanges improved, but fell below the best points.

Dublin Stock Market was irregular, with some sharp falls in Industrial Shares.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Princess Royal and Princess Maud have left Sandringham. Princess Victoria, being now much stronger, Queen Alexandra's return to Marlborough House will not be long deferred, but it is understood that the Princess will journey to the South of France for a change shortly, and will be the guest of her uncle, the Duke of Connaught, at Cap Ferrat.

The most important entertainment in connection with the opening of Parliament, will be the reception at Londonderry House on Monday, February 12th, for which the Marchioness of Londonderry has issued a large number of invitations.

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Lady Blanche Hozier has arrived at Cannes, where she is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Winston Churchill, at the Villa Rêve d'Or. The Earl of Ducie, accompanied by his daughter, Lady Ada Moreton, left London for Brisbane on Wednesday, and will be absent for several months. Lord Falconer has left Monte Carlo, and is spending a few days in Paris on his way back to England. Lord Acton has been recalled from Paris to Aldenham Park, owing to Lady Acton's serious illness, which is causing much anxiety.

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Viscount and Viscountess Ednam have settled in their new house in Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, where they will remain for the Parliamentary season. Lord and Lady Elphinstone, Lord and Lady Cable, Lord and Lady Hawke, and the Hon Sir Seymour Fortescue are returning to London next week. Lord Somerleyton will leave Cairo on his return journey shortly, and Lord Glentanar, who has been touring in the United States and Canada, is expected in London within the next three weeks.

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The passengers on the Olympic, which left Southampton for New York on Wednesday, included Prince and Princess Odescalchi, the Vicomte and Vicomtesse de Silbour, Lady Sarah Wilson, Lord William Taylour, Lady Isherwood, Sir Eric Geddes and Sir Frederic Kenyon. To-day's departures by ss. Almanzora for Madeira and South America include Major-General Sir Walter and Lady Lindsay, Sir John and Lady Esplen, Sir Ernest and Lady Hughman.

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To-day Sir John Gardner Englehart, K.C.B., attains the age of one hundred years. After a distinguished college career he was called to the Bar (Lincoln's Inn) in 1849. He was private secretary to the Duke of Newcastle, when Secretary of State for the Colonies, and was included in the suite of the Prince of Wales when visiting Canada in 1860. Six years later he was appointed Comptroller of the Household of Prince and Princess Christian, and in 1872 was made Clerk of the Council of the Duchy of Lancaster, which post he held for twenty-six years, and in 1901 was elected a Member of the Council. He resides in Curzon street, Mayfair, and is honoured by the friendship of the Royal Family.

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The engagement is announced of Captain R. D. Corkery, M.C., the Devonshire Regiment, elder son of Colonel T. H. Corkery, Plymouth, and Mrs. Claud Lindsay, widow of Major C. F. T. Lindsay, R.F.A., of Glasnevin House, Co. Dublin, and elder daughter of Sir Henry and Lady Forde, The Manor of St. John, Waterford, and 12 Grove Court, Drayton Gardens, S.W.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Lieutenant-Commander William Ralph Leycester (late R.N.), eldest son of Joseph William Leycester, D.L., of Ennismore, Cork, and of The Moors, Bishopteignton, South Devon, and Audrey Dorothy, second daughter of the late George S. Ware, formerly of Woodfort, Mallow, and niece of W. N. Leader, D.L., of Dromagh, Co. Cork.

Amongst the gowns which have arrived from Paris this week are several smart tailor suits, which are being copied at between-season prices at Switzer's, 88 Grafton street.

Last days of Holmes' Sale. Final Reductions.—69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

In order to keep our workers employed at this season we are making tailored suits for 7½ gns.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st., Dublin.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—B. G. Shorten, Mrs. C. A. Ridgeway, Miss L. Ridgeway, Mrs. O'Donel, Mrs. W. Knight Roche.

Departures:—Dr. Angela Coyne, Miss Vaughan, Miss T. Vaughan, Miss Lily Hickam, Miss M. Redington, Mr. H. Weiner, Rev. T. Hertzog, Mrs. J. C. Arnold, R. F. A. Crookshank, J. D. Riordan, R. H. L. Oulton, F. W. B. Good, D. S. C. West, Miss Peggy Hennessy, Francis Hennessy, John Edward Hennessy.

Last Week of McBirney and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale.

Mourning Orders receive prompt attention.—Davis and Co. (late Ogilvy's), 43 Grafton street.

TAKEN AT RANDOM.

To me, climbing a mountain seems to combine all the elements of discomfort in their acutest form.—Dean Inge.

Anyone could point out the village drunkard; you cannot generally point out the city drunkard.—Mr. G. K. Chesterton.

The mark of a Churchman is never to wear a troubled face.—Canon Nairne.

With few exceptions our public buildings are dreary and in need of adornment.—Mr. George Clausen, R.A.

The teaching of Jesus, as contained in the Gospel, is a homogeneous whole coming from a teacher of intense spiritual power.—Bishop of Gloucester.

France's Folly.

The news from Germany is becoming increasingly grave. The French military authorities in the Ruhr Valley have burned their boats. From to-day onward no coal will leave the Ruhr for unoccupied Germany, unless it is destined for Italy. For the present the French announce that they will not interfere with food trains, or, indeed, with anything except coal; but they have given the Germans clearly to understand that, in the event of further recalcitrance, the frontier between the Ruhr and Germany will be closed altogether. As our London Correspondent remarks, this decision amounts to the virtual annexation of the Ruhr Valley by the French. All pretence of observing the Treaty of Versailles apparently has been abandoned; for, bad as that instrument undoubtedly is, it makes no provision of any kind for the annexation of German territory. France, however, has taken the bit between her teeth. The amount of coal which she has got from the Ruhr mines since her soldiers marched into Essen would be hardly enough to cook the dinner of a single division. Yet she seems to be determined to pursue her coercive policy to the bitter end, cost what it may. General Degoutte has seized the German Customs throughout the area under his control, and now holds the whole Rhineland, except the comparatively small sphere of British influence, in the hollow of his hand. He can starve the province into submission within a fortnight. The lives of its inhabitants are completely at his mercy. The grip of von der Goltz on Belgium was not more thorough than that of General Degoutte on the Ruhr.

In the meanwhile the people of the Ruhr Valley are persisting in their policy of passive resistance. The whole area is in a condition of incipient chaos. There is a general railway strike at Cologne. Trains from Holland to Germany cannot proceed beyond the frontier, and passengers are forced to make their way across the border on foot, or, if they are lucky, in motor cars. Essen is cut off entirely from the outside world. The railwaymen, the telegraphists, and the telephone operators are out on strike, and the telegraph cables have been cut by the Germans in several places. Even the police have joined the movement. They are refusing to enforce any French orders and confine themselves rigidly to their duties as guardians of the civil peace. Naturally enough, the French are not allowing this campaign to develop without taking drastic steps for the punishment of its authors. Arrests and deportations are the order of the day. Almost all the burgo-masters of the Ruhr towns, and many from the Rhineland proper, have been taken into custody by the military authorities on the charge of disobedience; while the Cardinal at Cologne, Dr. Schutte, has telegraphed to the Pope as a protest against the wholesale deportation of members of his flock. Newspaper editors are in a particularly nasty position. A word of criticism against the French leads to suppression. A *fight à outrance* seems to be almost inevitable. The French have force on their side; but they are faced with a united nation, which, for once in its long history, feels that it is in the right.

The purpose of these repressive measures is two-fold. In the first place, France wants to throttle German industry; and, in the next, she wants, if possible, to establish an independent State under her "influence" on the Rhine. To what extent is she likely to succeed in either of these objects? The total output of coal in the Ruhr Valley is, normally, eight and a half million tons *per* month. Of this amount about four million tons go to Germany. Henceforward unoccupied Germany must do without this supply; but, with their customary foresight, the German manufacturers have reckoned with the possibility of the isolation of the Ruhr, and have been busily engaged in exploring alternative sources. Large contracts have been made with Czecho-Slovakia, Britain and the United States of America; and, as the German magnates hold extensive credits in all these countries, the hardship will not be so great as it might otherwise have been. Furthermore, the annual output of lignite, or brown coal, from the Saxon mines can be almost doubled—at present it is 140,000,000 tons—and Germany's chemists are hard at work in search of other *Ersätze*. Undoubtedly, German industry will suffer; but the industry of Lorraine also will suffer to such an extent that the game may prove not to be worth the candle after all. So far as the idea of a buffer State is concerned, nobody who is not completely blind to facts can take it seriously. The Germans have many objectionable qualities, but disloyalty to their Fatherland is not one of them; and, if M. Poincaré really believes that a display of force on the Ruhr will wean the Rhinelanders from their traditional allegiance, he is doomed to a terrible disappointment.

No Freight War.

Last night it was announced that the threatened "freight war" between the Australian Government and the British shipping companies had been averted. During the war, on Mr. Hughes's initiative, the Commonwealth authorities purchased a fleet of steamers in order to ensure that Australia's export trade would suffer as lightly as possible from the effects of the German U-boat campaign. The ships cost a great deal of money, but they proved a profitable investment. When the shipping boom was at its height, several first-class vessels were added to the fleet, and for some time these steamers have been lying idle. Ever since the inception of the line the management has been at loggerheads with what are known as the conference lines on the questions of services and rebates, and on Tuesday there was what amounted to a declaration of war. At one sweep the rates on general cargo carried by the Commonwealth Line were reduced by 10s. a ton. The management contended that the time was ripe for this step, and that it would give a much-needed fillip to trade. That, of course, is a matter for serious doubt; for it is beyond dispute that no private enterprise could afford to make such a sacrifice. The conference did not take up the challenge immediately, but it issued a reasoned statement in which it warned the Australian Government that, if a freight war were carried to its logical conclusion, the result would be to banish private enterprise and its superior efficiency. Yesterday Sir Halford Mackinder, Chairman of the Imperial Shipping Committee, which has been inquiring into the question of rebates, intervened and invited both parties to a conference. Under his persuasive influence they reached an agreement which "ensures the friendly co-operation of the two interests and eliminates all possibility of a rate war." Thus "all's well that ends well." A State monopoly of the shipping trade between Britain and Australia would be an unmitigated evil. The Commonwealth has gained its place in the world's trade by virtue of the facilities that British shipping companies have given it, and it still needs those facilities. Apart altogether from trade interests, however, the settlement of the dispute is welcome because it removes a factor which would have weakened the bonds that unite Australia to the Empire.

Our Daily Bread.

Men engaged in driving a bargain, or otherwise anxious to convince others with whom they are dealing of their inflexible fixity of purpose, invariably say a great deal more than they mean, and it is not unlikely that Mr. Thomas Foran, in outlining a possible strike of the bakers, the bakers' van drivers, the boys who bring the bakers' assistants their dinner pails, and, in short, everybody closely or remotely connected with the business of supplying the public with bread, is merely trying to make our flesh creep. The object, needless to say, is that the public's dire extremity may result in pressure being brought to bear on the millers to forego the cut in their employés' wages which they declare to be imperative, and to resist which the flour-mill workers have gone on strike. The strike, as such, threatens to be abortive because Ireland, which imports seventy-five *per cent.* of its flour already, can easily import the balance. A strike of bakers and bread-van drivers is another matter, and would cause great inconvenience to the people of Dublin. On the other hand, to speak of a possible bread famine is to exaggerate matters. There are few houses in Dublin that do not boast an oven, and wherever there is an oven bread can be baked. Mr. Foran made it quite clear that he was outlining a possible, and not an intended, step on the part of the sympathetic bakers, and so it is too early to go into the ethics of such a proceeding. It suffices at this time to say that the process of fixing the wages in one trade by inconveniencing the public with a strike of the workers in another trade has no support in morals, reason or commonsense.

Soldiers' Settlement.

The news that the Commissioner of the Soldiers' Settlement Board will sail shortly from Canada for England to make terms with ex-soldiers who desire to take farms in Canada will interest some, at least, of the many ex-Service men in this country to whom, presumably, any offer made by the Canadian authorities will be open equally with their British comrades of the Great War. In a sense Ireland must be sorry to lose such men, because it is always the best that go first as well as farthest. But their room is needed here, and their energies are needed in Canada. There will still be left behind far more farmers and potential landowners than any land purchase scheme the Government can devise will satisfy. The terms upon which it will be possible for these ex-soldiers to take up their Canadian holdings have still to be explained. Capital of some sort is necessary, in the first place, to get the pioneer and his family to their farm, and also to provide machinery and implements, a modest house and appurtenances, fencing, seeds, and so forth. No doubt, the scheme which the Commissioner comes to unfold involves a substantial loan to the ex-soldier pioneer, repayable as his holding begins to grow profitable, and, no doubt, also a small amount of capital will have to be found by the pioneer himself. Doubtless many of the young Irishmen who would be glad to settle in Canada have fathers or uncles who could well equip them with the small capital which they would require.

THOM'S DIRECTORY.

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEW ISSUE.

"Thom's Official Directory of Great Britain and Ireland" for 1923, which is published to-day (36s. net), contains many new features, and embodies many improvements. Every section has been revised. For the purpose of reference, the area under the Northern Parliament is given in a separate section of the book. In the Free State section, the names of the members of the Executive Council, of the Senate, and of Dail Eireann, and the officials of the newly-constituted Government Departments are given as fully as possible. The titles of the Acts passed by the new Government are published in full, and the volume contains adequate details of the Army Council, the Command Districts and battalion centres of the National Army. The British elections and the honours recently bestowed are also duly recorded.

As heretofore, the Dublin County and Borough Directory contains full statistical information, and the names and stations of the District Justices, the officers and headquarters of the Civic Guard, local Boards, and rural districts, etc., have been inserted. The Dublin Street Directory and the valuation of the houses have been very carefully revised as regards both city and suburbs. In short, the volume is an indispensable adjunct to business offices, forming, as it does, a reference library in one volume.

AFTERNOON LECTURES.

The Royal Dublin Society series of afternoon lectures to be given in the Royal College of Surgeons, Stephen's Green, will commence to-day (Friday), and continue each Wednesday and Friday afternoon until March 14th. The lecture to be delivered by Professor J. McLean Thompson, D.Sc., F.L.S., at 4.30 to-day, is entitled "A Study in the Development of Floral Characters"—a subject which should prove to be especially attractive to botanists and all lovers of flowers. The lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides. Admission tickets may be obtained at Leinster House, or in the Entrance Hall, Royal College of Surgeons, immediately before the lecture.

DUBLIN SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The monthly Committee meeting of the Dublin Seamen's Institute, Eden quay, Dublin, was held in the Institute on Tuesday afternoon, and was largely attended. The Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Phipps, occupied the chair. The financial statement was considered satisfactory. It was decided that the annual "Gift Day" should be held in October, and that a bazaar be held in the early part of 1924, to help to clear off the mortgage on the Institute building.

A period of unemployment is the very time to give people opportunities for higher education.—Viscount Haldane.

SECRETS OF THE TOMB

Excitement Growing at Luxor.

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
LUXOR, Thursday.

This has been another delightful day. It has not been so warm as yesterday, and the sky has been slightly overcast, glorious shadows passing over the pink-tinged hills, as we made our daily pilgrimage to the Royal necropolis at the top of the Valley of the Kings.

It was soon evident that one of the two remaining couches would be brought out, for, shortly after 9 o'clock, Mr. Callender began to fill two large square cases with cottonwool waste, finally covering them with a white sheet. Shortly afterwards Mr. Carter and Mr. Mace assisted him to line an oblong case with thick cotton wads. Then all disappeared into the tomb.

After a short pause Mr. Carter was heard giving orders within, and then the staff reappeared, carrying, first the bed portion, and then, one after the other, two sides, and finally the base of the typhonic couch. The bed portion was placed in the oblong case, the two sides each in a square case, and the base was carried by hand all the way to the laboratory.

There was not the same difficulty experienced in bringing out this couch as was the case with the Hathor couch, which was larger, while the cows' horns were more cumbersome. The couch is a most gorgeous and barbaric piece of royal furniture.

It is dazzling, because it is all gilt. At the foot-end there is a high arched footboard; but the front end is open, nothing obstructing the view of the King, with only two great carved dog-heads on either side.

They are fearsome dog-heads, prototypes of Cerberus, like great Danes with a lion strain gone heraldically mad.

Like all else, they are gilt, with open mouths, from which long curling tongues of ivory-coloured pink protrude, and ivory teeth—these white—set wide apart.

The carving of the heads is very bold, and the gilding is in excellent condition, though some other parts of the couch are less good, the gilt having blistered, and needing very careful handling, while all is thinly coated with paraffin wax.—"*The Times*" *World Copyright—By arrangement with the Earl of Carnarvon.*

LUXOR, Thursday.

A great deal of discussion is going on among the experts here as to whether, beyond the sealed door, over which Pharaoh's effigies in ebony and gold keep ward, more than one chamber will be discovered.

The outer chamber now being emptied of its contents is hewn from a solid rock, but the wall in which the doorway has been filled in and sealed up, is of plaster, and therefore clearly a partition wall.

It may, therefore, be taken that there is only one further room on that side shut off from the rest of the tomb by a partition.

On the other hand, it may give access to a well, so often found in tombs of dead Pharaohs, the object of which was not only to drain off the rainwater entering from outside into a deep sump, but also to deter tomb-robbers, who were a recognised branch of the criminal profession 3,000 years ago in Egypt.

In this case, across the well another sealed opening, which will have to be located and pierced, would give direct access to the mortuary chapel, or, perhaps, to a series of chambers leading to it.

These and other questions—such as: whether, if the King's mummy is found, it will be in solitary state, or accompanied by his Queen, the daughter of the great heretic, Akhnaton, who forsook the worship of Amonra for his own religion, the worship of Aton—are eagerly ventilated in the golden sunshine of Luxor, where, across the gleaming Nile, the frowning heights that guard the tombs of the Pharaohs change colour hourly with the waning day.

The excitement is growing more intense as the outer chamber is gradually emptied of its contents, and the day for penetration into the secret inner room draws nearer.—*Press Association Special Service.*

JOHN PHILIP KEMBLE

(1823-1923).

(BY PERCY CROSS STANDING.)

THIS month we celebrate the death-centenary of John Philip Kemble, head of the greatest of English theatrical families and brother of Mrs. Siddons. In later days, the Irvings, as represented by Sir Henry and his gifted sons, were, perhaps, almost equally distinguished; but pride of place must, I think, be awarded to the Kembles.

"John Philip," the "most dignified and accomplished actor on the British stage since Garrick," was himself the son of an actor-manager, and was born at Prescot, Lancashire, on February 1st, 1757. His parents being Catholics, he was educated in the first instance at Sedgley Park, in Staffordshire, and afterwards at Douai University, where, by a coincidence, he had for fellow-student Talma, the great French tragedian.

Despite his father's entreaties, young Kemble obstinately refused to enter the priesthood. He would, and did, become an actor, and, quitting Douai abruptly, made his first professional appearance "on any stage" at Wolverhampton on New Year's Night, 1776.

He then played on the York circuit under Tate Wilkinson, and also appeared in Ireland. Thanks to the influence of his by this time famous sister, he got his great chance at Drury Lane Theatre on September 30th, 1783, when he appeared as Hamlet and was immediately acclaimed. Indeed, the rôle of the moody Dane was immeasurably his finest impersonation. But those were the days of short runs, and six weeks later we find him essaying the rôle of Sir Giles Overreach in "A New Way to Pay Old Debts."

The brilliant but shiftless Richard Brinsley Sheridan was then manager of Drury Lane, but in 1788 he made Kemble manager, and here the latter remained until 1802. In that year the Peace of Amiens enabled him to study at first hand French and Spanish theatrical methods. On his return home he acquired a sixth share in Covent Garden Theatre for £23,000, became its manager, and appeared there as Hamlet on September 24th, 1803.

Five Septembers later the theatre was destroyed by fire, while Sheridan was addressing the House of Commons. On a proposal to adjourn the debate, that great man exclaimed: "Whatever may be the extent of our private calamity, I hope it will not interfere with public business." A sporting declaration, indeed!

On Covent Garden's re-opening almost exactly a twelvemonth afterwards (September 18th, 1809), Kemble and his family were bitterly attacked on account of a change in the prices of admission, and what were known as the "O. P." (Old Prices) riots took place. He was induced by the enormous success of Edmund Kean as Sir Giles Overreach to re-appear in that character.

But the public would not have his Sir Giles—they actually hissed the actor, and as he left the stage Kemble muttered, "It is time that I should retire." He took his farewell of the stage first at Edinburgh, where he spoke an epilogue written by his friend and adviser, Sir Walter Scott, on March 29th, 1817. He took leave of the boards of Covent Garden on June 23rd ensuing in the rôle of Coriolanus, and received a great public ovation.

Kemble settled in Switzerland, and passed away at Lausanne, of apoplexy, on February 26th, 1823, aged sixty-six. Without being gifted with a powerful voice, he was possessed of a magnificent and stately presence and a remarkable brain-power. Above all, adds one chronicler, he was "most emphatically a gentleman."

BELFAST'S WELCOME.

ADDRESSES TO GOVERNOR.

Belfast Corporation yesterday decided to present an address to His Grace the Duke of Abercorn on his appointment as Governor-General of Northern Ireland, and a committee of the aldermen of the various wards is being appointed to draw up the address and to make suitable arrangements for the presentation.

It has also been decided by the Belfast Water Commissioners to present an address to the Governor on the occasion of his approaching official visit to the city.

Except, perhaps, in golf, there is more psychology in billiards than in any other game.—Mr. E. B. Osborn.

LONDON LETTER.

PAYMENT OF THE DEBT.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

The promptitude with which the Cabinet arrived at its decision to accept the terms offered by the United States for the funding of our war debt has made a very good impression in America, where it is believed that Congress will pass the necessary Bill to legalise the agreement without undue delay. It is recognised that there may be a certain amount of opposition on the part of those Senators and others who profess to be offended at Mr. Baldwin's blunt speech at Plymouth; but it is not thought that they will go so far as to hang up a measure which, in the opinion of the Washington Administration, is as much in the interests of the United States as of Great Britain.

The Doubters.

While opinion here is generally favourable to the Cabinet's decision, apprehension is expressed in some quarters at the possible effect upon Anglo-American relations of our being, as it were, "under tribute" to the United States for so long a period as sixty years. A writer in *Truth* says: "I do not quite see a Labour Government—which, if it were to last for any length of time, would soon be in financial difficulties far beyond anything we have experienced as yet—funding £31,000,000 or so annually for the citizens of the United States without kicking."

To this "dismal jimmy" reply might be made that a Labour Government is not likely to come into power for some years; that when, if ever, it does, the majority of the people of Britain will be behind it, and that there is no reason to suppose that the majority of the people of Britain (who, in spite of surface differences, are extraordinarily homogeneous in character) will ever want to repudiate their Treaty obligations.

There is, too, the possibility that long before the sixty years have expired the credit of the Governments of both the United States and Britain will have improved so much that they will be able to borrow at less than the current rates of interest. In that case either the Americans will, of their own motion, propose a revision of the terms or the British Government will be in a position to pay the balance of the debt by raising an internal loan.

The Budget.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will be unfeignedly thankful to have the uncertainty regarding our debt to the United States off his mind, for it will enable him to settle down for the preparation of his Budget. If all goes well up to the end of next month Mr. Baldwin should be in possession of quite a handsome surplus, and this will enable him to reduce taxation in one form or another. It is doubtful, however, whether he will be able to take anything like the measures suggested. A reduction of indirect taxation (including beer and tobacco) may be all that he will be able to manage.

The Ruhr Isolated.

The Ruhr has now been completely cut off from the rest of Germany, and the only coal which will be allowed to leave it *via* the German railways is that which is consigned to Italy—an arrangement which appears fruitful in possibilities of disturbance. Not only so, but the French are now threatening the application of similar sanctions to the industrial produce of the district. If German recalcitrance continues they will certainly carry out their threats, and in that case we shall be in presence of a virtual annexation.

While this may please a certain number of French Chauvinists, who have never concealed their ambitions, it is by no means certain that it will be welcome to the French nation as a whole, particularly if the cost of the occupation should involve, as seems probable, increased taxation.

Difficulties of Withdrawal.

As we know to our cost, it is much easier to occupy than to withdraw. When Mr. Gladstone occupied Egypt in 1882 he had every desire to leave the country in a short time. But neither he nor his successors were ever able to carry out his intentions. Some new crisis always occurred to make withdrawal impossible; and even now, though it is nearly a year since Egypt was declared an independent kingdom, Lord Allenby and the British troops are still there and contribute the main guarantee for the peace and prosperity of the country.

Viscount Northcliffe's Will.

Though the newspapers will be deprived of some more or less "sensational copy," it is a good thing that the persons interested in Lord Northcliffe's estate have been able to arrive at an agreed settlement. What had virtually to be done was to construct from a large number of testamentary documents—some in legal form, others not, and others again executed after his health had begun to fail—a new will carrying out substantially the testator's real intentions.

Summer Time.

A good many people have probably been surprised to learn from the answer of the Home Secretary to a correspondent that summer-time this year will come to an end on the morning after Saturday, September 15th—three weeks earlier than it did last year. It will begin on the morning after Saturday, April 15th—three weeks earlier than it did last year. These changes are consequent upon an Act passed last year, and were due to the complaints of agriculturists and others who have never taken kindly to summer-time. But they will be unpopular with the younger generation, which desires as much daylight as possible for the purposes of lawn tennis and other sports.

Motor Taxes.

Whatever results may follow the deliberations of the Departmental Committee of the Ministry of Transport on the subject of motor taxation, it is to be hoped that any new regulations will be framed in a more accommodating manner to the motorist. It is not easy to see why licences should not be granted for one year from the time of issue in the same way as driving licences, while licences for a short period should not be subject to an increase of 33⅓ *per cent.* over the proportional amount. At the Glasgow Motor Show this week it was suggested that motor coaches, upon which the tax is extremely heavy, should be able to obtain a daily licence during the winter months in order that they may be used when possible, instead of being laid up for months at a time.

Luxor Influences.

The discoveries in the Valley of the Kings are spreading an influence in many directions. Never before have so many inquiries been made at the British Museum for Egyptology, and the number is increasing every day. The King's florist predicts that the Tutankhamen bouquet will be fashionable during the London season, and he has already received orders for bouquets made to resemble those described and photographed which were found at Luxor. Dress designers are constantly on the look out for an opportunity of introducing the topical note into feminine fashions, and it will probably not be long before the lines of ancient Egyptian garments are noticeable. Mrs. Asquith, who is always in the forefront with regard to fashion, was wearing one of the new Egyptian dresses at the wedding of Miss Dickson Poynder yesterday. It was of terra cotta cloth, fitted to the figure and fastened with a bog scarab at the side.

THE RUHR CUT OFF.

FRENCH MEASURES TO STOP COAL GOING TO GERMANY.

ANGRY PROTESTS IN GERMANY.

FOOD SHORTAGE IN OCCUPIED AREA FEARED.

The ring round the Ruhr is now complete, and the French evidently intend to sit tight and wait developments. They state that they expect the Ruhr magnates to return to Essen and make terms.

Meanwhile, demonstrations against the French continue. A number of incidents are reported from Koenigsberg, Berlin, and elsewhere. The temper of the public in Germany is rising, and persons speaking French have been attacked.

NO COAL FOR GERMANY.

FRANCE CLAIMS TO HAVE "WON THE RUBBER."

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
DUSSELDORF, Thursday.

From midnight last night the barrier to the passage of coal from the Rhur into unoccupied Germany has been closed.

The Germans themselves say it is already effective. The French claim that they have won the rubber.

In the words of one of their spokesmen to-day, they can now afford to wait until the coal magnates report themselves at the offices of the Coal Syndicate in Essen to make submission and co-operate in the Reparations deliveries to the Allies.

The general ultimatum has been deferred, possibly as the result of new discussions with England at Lausanne, but it was expressly stated that if the present measures fail a communication of a more comprehensive character will be addressed to Berlin, and more onerous measures taken. The German's counter-move is being waited for with anxiety by the population.

Owing to the railway situation, the production of coal has already been greatly reduced, and the pit banks are already congested, and, as no coal is passing out, production must soon cease, and the miners will have to leave work.

It is evident that Germany, even should she succeed in supplying herself with coal, which is very doubtful, will have to face the new situation in the occupied region. That will become more serious every day, and may easily, if prolonged, become tragic.

So far, despite many difficulties, there is no stoppage in the factories, but this morning I learn that the paper mills here are short of coal, and this evening, unless help comes quickly, 6,000 hands will be paid off.

The food situation is already causing great anxiety. Dr. Grutzner, the head of the Provisional Government, went to Essen yesterday, where the Minister of Communications had arrived from Berlin, and where he saw the representatives of the miners and railwaymen. To-day he is in Berlin, where the whole situation is under close review by the Government.

The order to the railwaymen last week will defeat the French in their intention of getting away coal, and especially coke, into France, and this may lead to such dislocation of the traffic that the effects are likely to become disastrous to the public.

TRAINS HELD UP.

TALK OF "STERNER MEASURES."

PARIS, Thursday.

According to the *Temps*, 35 trains bound for unoccupied Germany have already been "held up" at one of the biggest traffic centres in the Ruhr, under the new *régime*.

Fresh orders have been given to the managing boards of the coal mines. Those who continue to refuse to supply are being expelled.

It is anticipated that the closing of the Ruhr may be followed by even sterner measures, and it is pointed out that, so far, metal products are not yet affected.

A committee has been appointed under General Payot to organise the transport of food and reparations coal by water.—(Reuter.)

FOOD PROBLEM.

FEARS OF SHORTAGE OWING TO RAIL STRIKE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
DUSSELDORF, Thursday.

After twenty-one days occupation, the French have at last taken over the Ruhr customs, and place themselves in a position to control the export coal and manufactured product from this rich industrial and mining district into unoccupied Germany and abroad.

Not until they had a large staff of customs experts ready to take over the various posts on the Ruhr area did they make this move, which completes their control of the Western German frontier.

M. Filippi, the French Chief of the Customs service, declares that 60 per cent. of the German staff has remained at their posts, while the Germans estimate the number of their countrymen who have refused to continue work at 70 per cent. of the total.

There was no congestion during the first days of the operations, chiefly because the French Staff and some German volunteers worked two hours' overtime to keep things moving.

All trains from Holland into occupied Germany are stopping at the frontier, and passengers are proceeding by motor car, carriage, farm wagons, bicycles, and on foot. The roads across the frontier were crowded last night with weary voyagers in every sort of vehicle, and those afoot in many cases were pulling handcarts and pushing barrows filled with their baggage.

Workers, who live some distance from the large centres, and have been relying on the train service to be taken to their daily toil, find themselves unable to reach their factories.

There was considerable shortage in several of the larger Ruhr and Rhineland factories yesterday. If the rail strike continues many days longer, the food situation will be serious not only in Essen, but in Dusseldorf, Duisburg, Mulheim and other factory towns which rely on the Rhine rail transport to bring their supplies.

Thus far the telephone and telegraph services are continuing to function, except at Essen, which has been cut off from the outside world for several days. Persons wishing to telephone or telegraph from that city must take motor cars to Dortmund, Wesel, or Dusseldorf.

The Ruhr has taken up the cry of the Rhineland, which fears an attempt at annexation will be made.

Doctor Groetzner gave an interview to a Cologne paper yesterday, in which he declared he possessed proof that preparations were under way to annex the Ruhr for France.

His charges are called absurd by French officials, who point out that the youths who recently fled the Ruhr and Rhineland are now at Hanover, being organised into a "Hindenburg Battalion," which has now attained a strength of about two thousand.

MAGNATES' APPEAL DISMISSED.

According to a Mayence telegram to Berlin, the Court of Appeal of the General Staff of the French Army on the Rhine has dismissed the appeal of the six Ruhr industrialists, including Herr Thyssen, recently fined by a French courtmartial.—Reuter.

TRAIN-WRECKING ATTEMPTS.

RAILWAY DIRECTOR AND OFFICIALS ARRESTED.

PARIS, Thursday.

The Mayence Correspondent of the *Temps* reports two serious attempts at train-wrecking in the Ruhr, near Hinbelheim (?). In the first case, the correspondent says that some points were deliberately tampered with, and a Mayence passenger train was sent headlong into a siding. Fortunately the driver realised the danger, and brought the train to a standstill in the nick of time.

In the second case, rails had been removed at intervals along the track near Hinbelheim Station, and a train, bound for Coblence, came to grief, but luckily no one was injured.

Following these outrages, the railway director, two higher officials and four railwaymen were arrested.—(Reuter.)

QUESTIONS POSTPONED.

M. POINCARE'S REQUEST TO FRENCH CHAMBER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

M. Poincaré will ask in the Chamber tomorrow for a further postponement of the date of his reply to interrogations on the Government's Ruhr policy.

It is expected that the request will be granted by an overwhelming majority, the Socialists being the only group to offer opposition. Probably the Prime Minister will be content to accept this as a vote of confidence.

While exceedingly critical of the Government and discontented with the course of events in the Ruhr—the line taken by the Centre is that M. Poincaré must be given the fullest opportunity to make the best of his policy—France seems to have got herself into too dangerous a position to permit of damaging criticism in the Chamber, and this debate is likely to become more noisy than effective.

At to-day's meeting of the Cabinet measures were agreed to for preventing the dissemination of false news by certain international financiers, who are alleged to have taken this means for debasing the value of the franc.

Reuter reports that the Chamber of Deputies last night agreed to postpone the interpellations on the general policy of the Government, by 485 votes to 71 votes.

INTERVENTION?

NEUTRALS IN CONFERENCE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Thursday.

It is reported here that the entire German police force in the Ruhr district are going over to the passive resistance policy.

They will refuse to arrest persons who disobey the French martial law orders, while they will continue to enforce the civil law.

I understand that the Czecho-Slovakia Ambassador to Berlin, M. Tusar, has gone to Paris, when he will meet the Swedish Premier, M. Branting, for the purpose of discussing intervention between the French and Germans in the Ruhr.

THE BARRIER.

FRENCH TROOPS MOVED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
ESSEN, Thursday.

The French have evacuated Dortmund and Bochum.

The townspeople were puzzled at first, but what has happened is merely that, in order to further strengthen the barrier into Germany, the troops have been moved north. They have taken up position in a line already established there.

INCIDENTS.

Wires between Dortmund and Dusseldorf have been cut.

The Superintendent of Railways at Mayence has been arrested.

The Burgomasters of Cleve and Herne have been arrested.

Three men, who were heard talking French, were attacked by crowds while they were crossing the Potsdamer Platz, in Berlin, on Tuesday night. One of them received a knife wound. According to *Vorwaerts* the men were Swiss.

Coal merchants of Kiel will not deliver bunker coal to French and Belgian ships in the harbour.

A huge crowd demonstrated at Koenigsberg in front of the Central Hotel against the French officers of the Inter-Allied Control Commission.

MILITARY WEDDING.

GREAT DISPLAY OF SCARLET AND BLUE.

General Lord Horne's daughter, the Hon. Kate Horne, was married to Captain Arthur George Hewson, M.C., of the Royal Horse Artillery, son of Mr. George Hewson, D.L., of County Leitrim, at St. Mark's Church, North Audley street, London, yesterday. The guard of honour of warrant and N.C.O.'s lined up in the long church approach, and the final military touch to the picture was given after the wedding when the bridal carriage was drawn from the church by a gun-team of the troop back to Claridge's Hotel.

Lord Horne arrived at the church with uniform should be worn by all Service guests, and the result was a great display of scarlet, blue, and khaki. The best man was Major A. W. van Straubenzee, D.S.O.

Lord Horne arrived at the church with his daughter, who wore a dress of rich cloth of silver, with a train of silver lace, draped again with an old Brussels lace veil, and lined with rose-pink chiffon. Her bridal veil was of tulle, and she carried lilies of the valley. Masters Peter Hewson and Robin Dunn acted as train-bearers, in white satin picture suits; the two child bridesmaids, Miss Pamela Scott and Miss Elizabeth Horne, wearing white silk frocks, with skirts of net, trimmed with silver ribbons.

Among the guests were:—Colonel Freyberg, V.C.; Sir Stanley von Donop, General de Rougemont, Sir Claude and Lady de Crespigny, Earl Spencer, Sir Charles and Lady Frederick, General and Mrs. Stevenson, and many colonels and captains and lieutenants, all in unifo

SENATOR BAGWELL AT LIBERTY.

HOW HE ESCAPED.

NOT BADLY TREATED BY HIS CAPTORS.

Senator John Bagwell, who was kidnapped by armed men near his home at Howth on Tuesday evening and taken away in a motor car, is now at liberty.

He arrived in Dublin yesterday morning after an exciting and anxious time, and immediately went to his club, where he remained during the afternoon, and was visited by Mrs. Bagwell and other members of his family. He refused to see any Press representatives.

It is understood that last evening he left Dublin for a much-needed rest.

An *Irish Times* representative has ascertained that when Mr. Bagwell was put into a motor car at Howth on Tuesday evening he was driven through North County Dublin in the direction of the County Meath border.

After a couple of hours' drive he was brought to a farmhouse, where he remained under guard for the night.

In the morning he was provided with food, a razor and soap. On the whole he was treated very well—quite as well as the circumstances permitted. During the day he took exercise in a corridor in the house.

When night came on he was moved to another commandeered house, and there, closely guarded, he remained until Thursday morning.

After breakfast he returned to his room, and being conscious of the fact that his captors were having their breakfast at the other side of the house, he decided to escape. This was about 11 o'clock.

Carefully opening a window, he got out, and being an old cross-country runner, he soon left his prison and captors far behind. After covering several miles of country, he ventured on to the highway, feeling pretty certain that the danger of possible pursuit had passed.

In the neighbourhood of Ashbourne he was overtaken by a motor car containing a gentleman and some ladies. His request for a seat to the city was readily granted, and in a very short time he was dropped in Westmoreland street, a few doors away from the *Irish Times* Office.

Mr. Bagwell was immediately recognised by a friend, who heartily congratulated him on his return.

A COINCIDENCE.

The *Daily Express* Special Correspondent in Dublin, in a message telling how Senator Bagwell regained his freedom, says:—

It is worth noting that, by a curious coincidence, Major-General Hogan, G.O.C. Dublin Command, who issued the order threatening reprisals if Senator Bagwell was not released within forty-eight hours, was himself formerly an employé of the Great Northern Railway, of which Senator John Bagwell is the General Manager.

MR. COSGRAVE VISITS MR. BAGWELL.

The Press Association says:—President Cosgrave paid a visit to Senator Bagwell at the Kildare street Club, Dublin, last evening.

Interviewed subsequently by Press representatives, the President said that Mr. Bagwell appeared to be nothing the worse for his adventure.

The Press Association adds that Senator Bagwell crossed from Ireland last night, and will rest in the South of England.

"HOSTAGES NOT TO BE RELEASED."

THREATS AGAINST FREE STATE GOVERNMENT.

The following was circulated last evening:—

"PROCLAMATION.
"OGLAIGH NA h-EIREANN.
"(Irish Republican Army).

"Whereas, the Junta called the 'Government of the Irish Free State' have suppressed the legitimate Parliament of the nation and usurped the Government, and now, in the endeavour to make good their usurpation and to destroy the Republic, have resorted to the infamous practice of shooting Republican soldiers taken by them as prisoners of war, and have already put to death fifty-three officers and men in this manner;

"And whereas, the Army of the Republic is determined that it will no longer suffer its members to be thus dealt with, and the international usages of war violated with impunity;

"And whereas, the Army Command of the said Junta have issued a proclamation announcing that 'punitive action' will be taken by them against other prisoners in their power if the hostages which we have been compelled to take are not set at liberty;

"Now, we hereby give notice that we shall not give up our hostages, and if the threatened action be taken we shall hold every member of the said Junta and its so-called Parliament, Senate, and other House, and all their executives, responsible, and shall certainly visit them with the punishment they shall deserve.

"Dated this 1st day of February, 1923, at the hour of noon.

(Signed) "LIAM LYNCH, General,
Chief of Staff.
"Field General H.Q., Dublin."

GAS TANK EXPLODES.

DEATH AND HAVOC IN U.S. CITY.

SPRINGFIELD (MASS.), Thursday.

Three persons were killed and scores injured as a result of the explosion of a storage tank belonging to the local gas works.

The report was terrible, shaking the city, and causing thousands of dollars of damage to plate glass windows. The streets were strewn with wreckage.

Four companies of military have been ordered out to help the police in preserving order.—(Reuter.)

"UN FINANCIER PRECOCE."

15-YEAR-OLD OPERATOR WHO ROBBED THE TILL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Thursday.

Los Angeles may have her Jackie Coogan, the Poles may have their Chess prodigies, Chicago may have its Johnny Weissmueller, and the Yawnin' Gap Ark its boy evangelists, but Paris has its Pierre Gaillot.

Pierre's speciality is finance. This 15-year-old's slight figure has been a familiar one around the Paris Bourse during the last six months, and regular traders came to know the youthful plunger as "un financier precoce."

Nobody around the Bourse plunged, with more debonair recklessness than Pierre. He attempted corners, bucked pool operators, issued guarded statements regarding hot tips, and divorced himself from francs with all the grace and rapidity of the Dean of tape readers.

But Pierre is absent from the Bourse to-day. His employer, M. Leroude, merchant, of 124 Rue du Faubourg Saint Martin, began checking over his books and the contents of his cash register. He found that 10,000 francs have disappeared during the last six months. Now Pierre's speculation is confined to the date of his release from a Paris prison.

HOUSE RENT ACT.

COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND DECONTROL.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

Lord Onslow's Committee, appointed to consider the terms on which the Rent Restrictions Act should be continued after June next, has almost completed its task.

The report will probably reach the Minister of Health in the course of the next few days.

Differences of opinion have recently developed in the Committee, and it will probably be found, when the report is issued, that the two Labour M.P.'s on the inquiry form a dissenting minority.

It is understood that the majority favour the scheme of gradual decontrol.

DEBT-FUNDING AGREEMENT.

NO IMMEDIATE RELIEF FOR TAXPAYER.

HEAVY BURDEN FOR NEXT 60 YEARS.

CONGRESS EXPECTED TO APPROVE PLAN.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

The Cabinet's decision to accept the American scheme for funding the dollar debt is generally approved in political circles. Naturally, it is not regarded as an ideal settlement, for the reason that it imposes a very heavy burden on the taxpayers for the next sixty years.

In some quarters it has been assumed that the immediate effect of the funding operation is a saving in expenditure sufficient to permit a reduction of 6d. in the income tax. This impression is altogether erroneous, and the immediate effect is to increase the actual charge on the revenue from £23,000,000 in the current financial year to £35,000,000 in the financial year commencing next April.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will have to find £12,000,000 more for America in 1923-24 than in 1922-23. This heavy increase of expenditure on the debt services, which claim £335,000,000 in the current financial year, must add to the Chancellor's already considerable difficulties in balancing the coming Budget, and there will have to be the most drastic curtailment of expenditure on the supply services.

BEGINNING Next Thursday the IRISH TIMES will publish a series of Articles based on the first volume of Mr. Winston Churchill's Memoirs of the War, which will be issued in book form this Spring.

These Articles will not appear in any other Irish Newspaper.

NEW BILL IN CONGRESS.

MAJORITY IN FAVOUR.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Thursday.

A meeting of the United States Debt Funding Commission was called by its Chairman, Mr. Mellon, for 4 o'clock this afternoon to consider the steps to be taken with a view to action by Congress on the British acceptance of the American terms.

Mr. Mellon's desire is that the Commission shall formulate recommendations to Congress to extend the scope of the Debt Funding Act so as to make a settlement possible on the basis of the British acceptance. The Commission's report will be rushed through, and it is expected that there will be Congressional action next week. An informal canvas goes to strengthen the belief that Congress will agree to the terms. Some opposition is expected, but it is apparent that the great majority of the members of the Congress are pleased by the news from London.

It is generally predicted that the Refunding Bill will pass the House of Representatives, but there is no doubt that opposition in the Senate will be formidable.

President Harding favours prompt action, and the House may begin considering the bill next week.

One stumbling block may be the Soldier Bonus issue. Advocates of the bonus contemplate tacking on an amendment to the bill, which provides for the debt interest to go to the soldiers. One report is that President Harding will not object to this method; other reports say that the President is opposed to anything which will tend to complicate the debt settlement.

DEMPSEY'S MATCHES.

FIGHT WITH WILLARD BARRED.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

New Jersey boxing authorities have banned the Dempsey-Willard fight this summer.

Now that Tex Rickard has decided not to exercise the option he has had on Dempsey for several days past, Tom O'Rourke proposes that the World's Champion shall meet Harry Wills and Joe Beckett on the Polo Grounds, between April 15th and October 15th, preferably on July 4th, and September 3rd, which are holidays here.

The matching of Dempsey and Beckett would depend on the result of the Englishman's fight with Carpentier in London in May.

It is reported that Dempsey's remuneration for both matches will aggregate half a million dollars. Mr. Kearns, on behalf of Dempsey, has promised to decide by Monday.—(Reuter.)

SAD SERIOUSNESS.

POPE AND THE POSITION IN EUROPE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ROME, Thursday.

The Pope, in view of the conflict in the Ruhr and the danger to peace arising therefrom, has sent a letter to Cardinal Pompili, Vicar General, asking for prayers, to avoid a European conflict. His Holiness writes that when at Christmas he wished for peace in Christ's kingdom he did not hide the sorrow and anxiety inspired in him by sorrow at the world's present ills and his fear for future ones. But he was then far from believing that so shortly his words would have such sad confirmation.

After describing the present hour as one of "sad seriousness," the Pope says that without wishing to judge the questions dividing peoples he cannot without anguish see reappear the terrifying ghost of new conflagrations with their accompanying trials and sorrows.

FREIGHT WAR AVERTED.

SETTLEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN DISPUTE.

In connection with the Australian shipping trade situation, Sir Alfred Halford Mackinder, Chairman of the Imperial Shipping Committee, invited representatives of the Conference Lines and of the Commonwealth Government Line to meet him at the Board of Trade yesterday.

Accord on all cardinal points was reached, subject to adjustment of minor details, thus ensuring the friendly co-operation of the two interests and eliminating all possibility of a rate war.

The results reached are in harmony with the recommendations of the report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on the rebate system. This report has been presented to the various Governments of the Empire.

FIVE SEAMEN DISAPPEAR.

The captain of the British trawler Noriad, which has arrived at Aulhunf from the White Sea, reports the loss of five of his crew.

After landing at Kola in a rowing boat they disappeared, and the captain believes they have been arrested by the Bolshevists.

A motor car containing members of the Inter-Commission was attacked by a number of students at Koenigsberg, who struck one of the French occupants.

ANOTHER HOUSE BURNED.

ARMED MEN DESTROY ROCKFIELD.

REPRISAL FOR MAN'S EXECUTION.

"Rockfield," Artane, the residence of Mr. J. J. Reddin, father of Mr. Kenneth S. Reddin, District Justice, was burned last night by armed men, who told the occupants that the burning was a reprisal for the shooting of a man named Fisher.

The house, which stood in its own grounds on the Malahide road, about a quarter of a mile from the tramway, was a fine two-storeyed building. It was occupied by Mr. Reddin, senior, and his three sons, Kenneth, Norman and Kerry. The last-named is Assistant Master of the Coombe Hospital, and Mr. Kenneth Reddin, until his appointment as District Justice for Mullingar, belonged to the firm of Reddin and Reddin, solicitors, D'Olier street.

At about 9.30 o'clock the lodge-keeper at Rockfield, Christopher Gough, was sitting in the lodge at the entrance gates, close to the road, when a knock came to the door. Almost immediately afterwards a young man with a revolver in his hand, put in his head, and warned the lodge keeper and his family "not to stir outside for half-an-hour." The armed man then closed the door, and was heard moving rapidly up the avenue.

THE HOUSE ATTACKED.

Almost at the same time several other armed men went to the halldoor of the family residence. In response to their knock Dr. Kerry Reddin came out into the hall, and asked who was there.

"Republican military" was the answer.

"What do you want?" asked Dr. Reddin.

He had barely spoken when there was a crashing of glass, and nine or ten men came in through the broken windows of the ground floor. They were armed with Colts and Parabellums. Nearly all of them carried tins of petrol, which they had taken from the garage attached to the house.

The only members of the family at home were Dr. Reddin and his father and mother. They were told why the house was going to be burned and were ordered to leave.

The raiders then sprinkled petrol about the rooms; the furniture was piled in heaps about the house and set on fire.

Soon the rooms were burning fiercely. The flames were issuing from the windows when the raiders left, making away through the fields at the rear of the house.

Shortly after 10 o'clock the Dublin Fire Brigade received a summons to Rockfield, and the Tara street section, under Lieutenant Power, arrived about twenty minutes later. By that time the entire building was in flames. The nearest water supply was at the lodge gates, and to convey it to the house a very long line of hose was required.

The fire had already taken a fatal grip on the premises, and the firemen confined their efforts to preventing it from spreading to the out-offices and the conservatory, which adjoins the house.

PICTURES AND BOOKS DESTROYED.

An *Irish Times* representative was at Rockfield in time to see the blazing roof collapse. While yet a good distance away one could hear the crackle of burning wood and see volumes of smoke belch from the front and back of the house.

Dr. Reddin watched the blazing pile from the avenue. "That's all that remains of it," he said bitterly to our representative. Pointing to a motor car which stood beside him he explained that it was the only thing which had been saved.

Complete editions of the works of Pearse, McDonagh, and other leaders of the 1916 rebellion perished in the flames, and many of their manuscripts which the family prized very much. In addition, a valuable collection of pictures was destroyed. It included works by Yeats, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Slater, and Crampton Walker.

Mr. Reddin, senior, told our representative that he was seated comfortably by the fire with a favourite pipe, when the peace of the household was rudely broken by the visit of the wreckers. They were, he added, courteous enough, and told him that he might take away anything he wanted, but they warned him to be as quick as possible.

"Of course," he told our representative, "I was not able to take away very much, but one of the things which I brought out was this coat which I am wearing."

Referring to the raiders' statement that the burning was a reprisal, Mr. Reddin remarked that he was a public servant, and did not occupy any Government position. "It's not easy to see what you have lived in through so many years destroyed like this," he added, looking towards the tottering walls of the burning house.

The Fire Brigade continued to fight the flames until an early hour this morning, and succeeded in saving all the out-offices.

The house itself was completely destroyed, and, while it is not possible to estimate the damage, it is expected to run into several thousands of pounds.

Some time ago an attempt was made to set the offices of Messrs. Reddin and Reddin, of D'Olier street, on fire, but it was not wholly successful. Rockfield, it is stated, had been largely used by Patrick Pearse and his colleagues before 1916.

COUNTY WEXFORD MANSION BURNED.

Bellevue, the residence of the late Captain Anthony Loftus Cliffe, on the bank of the Slaney, near Macmine, Co. Wexford, was set on fire on Wednesday night by armed men, and reduced to ashes. The house has been unoccupied since the death of Captain Cliffe, thirteen months ago; his widow, Lady Power Cliffe, has since resided in London. The only persons in it were Martin Nolan, caretaker, and his wife and family, who occupied the rooms in the basement. They were awakened shortly after 11 o'clock and told to leave the house. About 20 armed men then removed all their furniture and belongings.

Adjoining the main residence is a private Roman Catholic Chapel, designed by Pugin, and erected in 1859. Before setting fire to the house, which they had sprinkled with petrol, the armed men detached the chapel from the main building to prevent the flames from reaching it. The fire in a short time destroyed the building, but the chapel was not damaged.

GIGANTIC COMBINE.

ENGLISH LABOUR UNIONS PLAN FUSION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

Steps are being taken for the amalgamation of three trade unions, which, when combined, will form the largest union in the world. Ballots of the National Union of General Workers, the National Amalgamated Union of Labour, and the Municipal Employers' Association have shown overwhelming majorities in favour of fusion.

A special committee will meet shortly to draft rules which will probably be presented to a National Conference about May.

The Workers' Union, which has over 250,000 members, was for a long time in negotiation with the National Amalgamated Union of Labour and the Municipal Employés' Association with a view to amalgamation, but the discussions broke down owing to differences regarding the appointment of a permanent Executive Council. The Workers' Union will thus be outside the new amalgamation, but hopes of a still larger union, with 750,000 members, are expressed among union leaders, and, in fact, such an amalgamation is regarded as highly probable.

MEXICO STRIKE RIOT.

TEN KILLED AND 50 INJURED.

MEXICO CITY, Thursday.

Tramway workers, who are on strike here, came into violent collision with military today. It is stated that at least ten persons were killed and fifty injured.

The conflict was precipitated by extremists amongst the strikers, who refused to accept the terms which the Moderates had concluded with the tramway company.—Reuter.

There is a general railway strike in Cologne.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

STATE OF EUROPE.

THE GATHERING STORM

"THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY SAYS:—

The storm that is gathering in Europe cannot leave this country indifferent. It would be folly to ignore the dangers that are daily increasing, more rapidly now than at any moment since the Armistice. One ray of hope still glimmers at Lausanne. There it may still be possible, in spite of many difficulties, to maintain that co-operation between France and England, which has hitherto been recognised as the chief guarantee of the peace of Europe. During the last few days grave doubt has been thrown upon the continuity of Franco-British co-operation, even in regard to the work of settling the terms of peace with Turkey. There have been rumours of an intention on the part of the French Government to adopt at the moment when the peace terms are being presented to Turkey an attitude entirely at variance with all the presuppositions of the Peace Conference.

The actual terms of the French proposals are still obscure, and the very date at which M. Poincaré may have sent a private message to Mustapha Kemal is still a matter of conjecture. It must, however, be regarded as a cause for gratification that the very rumours that the French Government contemplated separate action in the Turkish question have provoked a strong protest in the French Press, and that the French Government have found it advisable in consequence once more to reaffirm, through their representative at Lausanne, their solidarity with the British view, which was, in fact, not merely British, but the result of long and continual consultation and agreement between all the Western Powers. That is so far to the good.

If, however, the French Government, in a blind infatuation for some obscure schemes of their own, go so far as to wreck the hope of peace in the Near East that was encouraged by the labours of the Lausanne Conference, then the people of this country will begin to feel that for all practical purposes the *Entente* is at an end.

THE RUHR RAILWAYS.

AN AGREEMENT.

The Times Special Correspondent at Dusseldorf telegraphed last night:—I learn on very good authority that an agreement has been reached to-night between the French military and the German railway authorities which will ensure that the normal running of trains begins again to-morrow morning at 6 o'clock. By that hour the French have agreed to remove all troops from railway stations within the Ruhr and the Rhineland, and have agreed not to allow trains to be conducted by their technical *personnel*. The Germans are reported to have agreed to-day to do their best to reinstate the normal service by the hour mentioned. The whole question of the handling of coal trucks within the occupied zone will, however, be left in abeyance for the present.

This is the agreement as formulated to-night and as it should enter into force to-morrow if nothing untoward occurs to upset it. I am informed that the mediation of the British is responsible for this happy prospect of a restoration of normal conditions on the railways, where conditions were becoming insupportable.

THE NEW ELEMENT.

OXIDE EXHIBITED IN LONDON.

The new element, called hafnium, has been isolated by Dr. Alexander Scott in his private laboratory in London, states *The Times*. Last night he was able to show specimens of the oxide, a cinnamon-coloured powder, to a crowded meeting of the Chemical Society, to state its atomic weight, and describe its chemical nature.

About a fortnight ago, as reported in *The Times*, two young chemists, Coster and Hevesy, working in the laboratory of Professor Bohr, at Copenhagen, announced that by the method of X-Ray spectroscopy they had ascertained the existence of an unknown element occupying No. 72 in the table of elements arranged by the brilliant young English physicist, Moseley. French chemists had already assigned this number to a supposed rare earth element which they called Celtium, but Coster and Hevesy showed reasons for doubting their results. The element to which they gave the name Hafnium they believed to be a metal in the group in which Titanium and Zirconium occur. They inferred its presence up to 1 per cent. in a Norwegian Zirconium mineral, but had not yet isolated it.

BRITISH SEAMEN LOST.

SUPPOSED KIDNAPPING BY BOLSHEVISTS.

In a message from Christiania, *The Times* Correspondent states:—The master of the English trawler Tonian, which called at Aalesund yesterday on her way home from the White Sea, reported the loss of five of the crew who went ashore at Kola and never returned.

In the master's opinion, the men had been kidnapped by Bolshevists.

PHENOMENAL WEATHER.

SNOWDROPS AND CROCUSES AHEAD OF TIME.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

Abnormally mild weather, due to a warm westerly current of air coming from the Azores region, continues to keep the temperature over the whole of the British Isles much above the normal. At Kew the temperature yesterday reached 54 degrees Fahr., which figure has not been exceeded at this time of year since 1899, when it was 55.4. A further continuance of the mild spell may be looked for.

Snowdrops are in bloom at the Royal Botanic Gardens, and the bright-hued crocuses were flowering a week ago. These plants are at least three weeks ahead of their normal time. Several flowering shrubs are equally forward.

LADY CRAIG ILL.

IMPROVEMENT REPORTED.

Lady Craig, wife of the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, is lying ill in London with an attack of influenza, which she contracted while nursing her son, who was suffering from the same malady.

The latest report states that there is a slight improvement in her condition.

TRADE IN ULSTER.

SIGNS OF IMPROVEMENT.

There were 604 less unemployed in Belfast at the end of last week, and this is attributed to an improvement in the shipyards and a slight improvement in trade generally. There are 50,593 persons unemployed in Northern Ireland, comprising 32,528 men, 663 boys, 16,810 women, 592 girls. The total decrease was 604 (men 304, boys 5, women 244, girls 51). The comparative figures for the week ending 15th January were: men 32,852, boys 668, women 17,054, and girls 643—total, 51,197.

The figures do not include workers on systematic short time, who numbered 7,331, and 1,447 on the 15th and 22nd January, respectively.

The Dortmund branch of the Imperial Bank is closed.

Reuter's Agency learns that Sir Percy Cox, the British High Commissioner in Iraq, has been engaged since his arrival in England on the report which he will submit next week to the Committee of the Cabinet which is dealing with commitments in Iraq.

RUSSIA MAKES A PROTEST.

SAFETY MENACED BY NEW STRAITS REGIME.

ISMET GRUMBLES BUT ACCEPTS.

SLOWLY APPROACHING ULTIMATE PEACE.

LAUSANNE, Thursday.

To-day's proceedings, which finally close the labours of the Commission, may be briefly summed up as follows:—

The Russians decline to sign the Straits Convention, while the Turks accepted the proposed *régime*, subject to certain reservations, notably with regard to the garrison at Gallipoli, their old contention.

Ismet Pasha again raised the question of the limitation of the Turkish forces in Eastern Thrace, and repeated the arguments already advanced.

M. Tchitcherin also had nothing new to say. "We wish to negotiate, but to-day we are confronted with a project which is definite," he observed. He also contended that one-fifth of the naval strength of the Riparian States of the Black Sea should constitute the naval force of the other Powers entering the Black Sea.

Lord Curzon, in the course of his remarks, replied to Ismet's criticisms on the subject of the forces allowed to Turkey outside the demilitarised zones, and reiterated the Allied views with reference to the garrison at Gallipoli.

Replying to M. Tchtcherin, Lord Curzon said that the Allies would not impose the Convention upon Russia, and added that he (Lord Curzon) was largely responsible for Russia being to-day at the Lausanne Conference.

M. Tchtcherin said that the proposal menaced the security of Russia, Georgia, and the Ukraine, and was against the treaties between Turkey and Russia signed at Moscow and Kars. The proposal showed the impotence of the Conference to make peace. Russia's hands were free, and she reserved her freedom of action, even if the Convention was signed by other Powers.

Lord Curzon then concluded the proceedings, saying that he was sorry that Russia would not sign the Convention, but he hoped that she would do so in time.

PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS.

A series of conversations between Lord Curzon and Ismet Pasha began this afternoon, the Turkish delegate, who was accompanied by Munir Bey, the legal adviser to the delegation, remaining with Lord Curzon at the Beau Rivage Hotel for nearly two hours. At the moment of telegraphing, nothing is known as to the result of the conversations.

British and American journalists attending the Conference lunched to-day with Lord Curzon. The greatest cordiality prevailed, and in an admirable speech Lord Curzon reviewed the situation, and thanked the journalists for their efforts to promote the success of the Conference.—(Press Association Special Correspondent.)

FRANCE'S POLICY.

TO ACT ALONE ONLY IF CONFERENCE FAILS.

The Press Association learns authoritatively that the Government has received a Note from the French Government in relation to the French policy and views concerning the Near East situation. No details were available last night, but it was learned that the Note does not bear the interpretation given to the reported French Note to Angora, copies of which, the French Press stated, were sent to London, Rome, Brussels, and Constantinople.

Up to yesterday evening the British Government had no information of a French Note to Angora, and the impression prevails that the communication now received in London is the Note to which the French newspapers referred. The terms of the French Note are regarded as entirely conditional upon absolute and complete failure of the Lausanne Conference, but as there is every hope that this contingency will be averted, the French views have no special urgency consequently. No reply has yet been sent, but in the event of the failure of the Lausanne negotiations, the French pronouncement would demand, and would receive, the earnest consideration of His Majesty's Government.

Lord Curzon's present intention is to leave Lausanne on Sunday night for London.

BRITISH FORCE READY.

AGGRESSORS "WOULD BE SORRY."

CONSTANTINOPLE, Thursday.

Yesterday evening, General Harington, in presenting the Constantinople Cup awarded for the inter-Service boxing competition to Admiral Brook, who received it on behalf of the Navy, drew attention to the excellent relations existing between the three services at Constantinople.

General Harington thanked the three Services for the work that they had done together, and added that he hoped that they were in sight of a peaceful solution.

He also sounded a note of warning to any who might be foolish enough to wish to test the full weight of the three Services now in Constantinople, and said that he was confident that whoever did so would be sorry for it.—(Press Association Special Correspondent.)

SEVEN DAYS' NOTICE.

ULTIMATUM TO MEMEL INSURGENTS.

PARIS, Thursday.

According to the Diplomatic Correspondent of the Havas Agency, seven days from today has been fixed by the conference of Ambassadors as the time for compliance with the terms of the ultimatum addressed by them to the Lithuanian Government, in which the withdrawal of the Lithuanian insurgents from Memel was demanded.—Reuter.

A message from Riga states that the new State Council at Memel has proclaimed the occupation of the town by Lithuanians as definitive, and has also declared that the frontier between the territory of Memel and the Lithuanian Republic is abolished.

A message from Ottawa says that Major Ashton, Commissioner for the Soldiers' Settlement Board, is proceeding to England to offer advantageous terms to returned soldiers to take farms in Canada.

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NORTHCLIFFE WILL.

ESTATE VALUED AT £5,000,000.

LARGE BEQUESTS.

When the action concerning the testamentary dispositions of the late Lord Northcliffe was before the Probate Court, London, yesterday, Sir John Simon, on behalf of Lady Northcliffe, the plaintiff, announced that terms had been arrived at which left no loophole for further controversy. The matter had been considered by all parties concerned. Lord Northcliffe, said counsel, in his lifetime left a number of documents expressive of his wishes. Some were documents in formal legal shape, duly drawn up and attested; others were documents of a much less formal character.

Counsel for the defendants said that, in addition to pronouncements which would be made by the Court, there had been terms of settlement between all parties who could be interested. There were considerable bequests in favour of charities. To the best of counsel's belief the settlement covered the whole of the possible claims.

Sir Henry Duke pronounced against the alleged wills of July 21st of last year, and an alleged codicil, October 3, 1921. He pronounced for the will dated March 22nd, 1919, and three codicils of June 13, 1919; June 23, 1920; and April 27 last year, and he gave the testamentary instruments to the defendants as the executors named. He approved the terms, and directed that the settlement in the proceedings be filed and made a rule of Court, and he gave directions as to costs in respect of all parties properly before the Court, in accordance with the proposals in the draft order.

The *Daily Mail* states that the value of Lord Northcliffe's estate will probably be about five million pounds. The duties payable on this amount will be nearly two million pounds. These duties have to be paid before legacies can be distributed.

TERMS OF THE WILL.

After confirming certain settlements, trusts and deeds made between 1893 and 1912, the testator bequeaths his personal effects to Lady Northcliffe, and gives to her as an immediate legacy the sum of £10,000. His leasehold house in Carlton Gardens is left in trust for her during her widowhood. The remaining real and personal estate is to be realised and the proceeds invested, the net income to form a trust fund divided into 100 parts, of which 71¾ form "the Residuary Trust Fund" and 28¼ "the Legacy Fund."

Under "The Residuary Trust Fund" an annuity of 25 per cent. of the income of the total fund is left to Lady Northcliffe during widowhood. "The Legacy Fund," subject to the continuation of allowances made to certain persons by the testator during his lifetime, is to provide legacies of £500 each to ten persons named, and £100 each to forty-five named persons. Eight per cent. is left for her life to Lord Northcliffe's mother, 2 per cent. each to his sisters, Geraldine (Lady King), Violet Wild, and Christabel Burton, for their lives; annuities to his brothers, Vyvyan George Harmsworth (1 per cent.), St. John Harmsworth (3 per cent.), Charles Harmsworth (½ per cent.); to Sir George Sutton (7 per cent.) and Mr. Henry Arnholz (3 per cent.) so long as they act as executors and trustees.

Annuities, varying in amount, are also left to the testator's mother-in-law, his sisters-in-law, Mrs. E. W. O'Brien and Mrs. Edith M. Potts, Miss Louise Owen, Miss Gertrude Ivy Sanders, Mr. Charles Whibley, Mr. Max Pemberton, Mr. Henry Gilbert Price (his Secretary)) Mrs. Violet Amelia Price (Secretary), Mr. Francis Herbert Humphrey Davy (Secretary), Mr. Thomas Edward Mackenzie, Miss I. Lyon Gordon, Mr. Thomas Marlowe, Editor of the *Daily Mail* and Chairman of the Associated Newspapers, Ltd., and Mr. Charles Hands.

The legatees include nephews and nieces and god-children of his wife and himself, and many friends of Lord Northcliffe, most of whom were associated with him in his various enterprises. Noteworthy bequests are three months' pay to certain employes of a number of companies, including *The Times*, Associated Newspapers, and Amalgamated Press.

To each of the "Fathers of the Chapels" in the offices of his newspapers, £50.

To "my friend and chauffeur," Harry Egerton Pine, £5 a week for life.

£1,000 to the directors of every company of which he was a director at the time of his death.

Subject to the specified claims, the income of the residuary trust fund is to be applied to charitable purposes, including the Newspaper Press Fund, the Newsvendors' Provident Institution, and the Printers' Almshouses and Orphan Asylum Corporation.

Provision is also made for the founding of a charity or a set of independent charities with the object of providing pensions for aged or infirm or incapacitated employés.

Each of Lord Northcliffe's brothers is to select one of his personal effects as a souvenir, the first choice to be made by his brother, Viscount Rothermere, and the others in order of seniority.

PARENT TYRE COMPANY.

STATEMENT AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

At the meeting of the Parent Tyre Company in London yesterday, Sir Arthur Du Cros (who presided) went at some length into the relations of the Parent and the Dunlop Companies after the purchase by the Dunlop Pool of the Parent's holding of Dunlop Ordinary Shares. He detailed the circumstances under which he was ousted from the chairmanship in favour of Mr. Ormrod and his new colleagues, who, it appears, had as an associate in the Pool Mr. Szarvasy. When this financier's name was put forward afterwards as adviser in the financial difficulties in which the Dunlop Company found itself, Sir Arthur Du Cros was not aware that he had been associated with the Pool. Sir Arthur states that he then insisted on getting improved terms for the Preference shareholders as a condition of assenting to the Debenture issue.

Sir Arthur Dickinson (of Price, Waterhouse and Co.) laid before the meeting the present position of the Parent Company's investment of £2,000,000 in Dunlop Preference Shares. He summarised carefully the history of the Dunlop Rubber Company during the past six years, and he added that upon reorganisation depends the dividends of the shareholders, Preference and Ordinary alike. A full report of the meeting appears on page 10.

LAW EXAMINATIONS.

FIRST FEMALE TO QUALIFY AS SOLICITOR.

At the preliminary Incorporated Law Society examination for intending apprentices to solicitors, held on January 8 and 9, the following passed the examination, and their names are arranged in order of merit:—1, J. Lombard; 2, John H. M. Walsh; 3, Ita Hogan; 4, George J. Geraghty; 5, Vincent P. Duffy. James W. Lane passed a modified preliminary examination.

At the final examination for apprentices applying to be admitted as solicitors, held on January 3, 4, and 5, the following passed the examination, and their names are arranged in order of merit:—1, John R. Halpin, B.A., T.C.D.; 2, Mary D. Heron, BA., Q.U.B.; 3, Barry St. J. Galvin, B.A., T.C.D.; 4, Robert E. Felton, B.A., T.C.D.; 5, Patrick H. F. Lavery; 6, Fintan M. O'Connor; 7, James A. Russell; 8, Thaddeus O'Sullivan, B.A., N.U.I.; 9, James V. Brady; 10, William St. C. Rice; 11, Joseph B Black; 12, John D. Ross; 13, Patrick Liston; 14, Timothy J. Regan; 15, Patrick Ryan; 16, Charles S. Doyle.

The Council have awarded a silver medal to John R. Halpin, B.A., T.C.D., and a special certificate to Mary D. Heron, B.A., Q.U.B.

GRAND CANAL DIVIDEND.

The directors of the Grand Canal Company have resolved to recommend the payment of a dividend for the half-year ending 31st December, 1922, at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum on the Preference Shares, and at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Ordinary Shares of the company, carrying forward a balance of £4,119 7s. 10d., subject to audit.

EXECUTIONS AND REPRISALS.

WESTMEATH COUNTY COUNCIL'S ACTION.

Mr. John Conlon presided at the meeting of the Westmeath County Council in Mullingar yesterday.

Mr. John Gavin moved that the meeting should adjourn without transacting any business except payments and the annual estimates, as a protest against executions, and as a mark of respect and sympathy for the relatives and friends of the executed men. His resolution also protested against the military proclamation threatening reprisals.

Mr. O'Connell seconded the proposal.

Mr. Sean Lyons, M.P. (Labour) said that it was nearly time that an end should be put to the terrible strife and loss of life on both sides. He knew that the Government's policy in this matter was wrong, and was very glad that the Council had spoken against executions. But they must look at the other side of the picture and contemplate the destruction of millions' worth of property, and the immense consequent unemployment. If they had any back-bone, if they were men, they would show that they were prepared to help the Government elected by the majority of the people to function. If that were done there would be an end to taking life.

He was against taking life, and associated himself with the sympathy expressed, but they must do justice to all, and if any member of the Free State Government, or of its supporters, was done to death they should equally protest.

Mr. O'Brien seconded a proposal by Mr. Lyons that after adopting the resolution the meeting should proceed with business. He said that Labour's whole aim was to secure peace in Ireland. Whether they sympathised with one side or with the other, they had a duty to perform to the living as well as to the dead, and that was to carry on the business of the country.

Mr. Lyons said that he was prepared to take Mr. Gavin at his word if he would condemn ambushes and all shootings, including attacks on the Government troops. He was prepared to condemn reprisals.

Mr. Gavin asked the Chairman to put his resolution. So far as that was concerned, he believed that so long as either ambushes or executions took place there would be no peace in the country. The gun would never bring peace in Ireland.

Mr. Lyons asked why not include the men killed in ambushes and all in the resolution. If they were really democratic they should be up against an armed minority's attempting to prevent the Government of the majority from functioning.

The Chairman said that no matter how the country supported the Government they could not support them in regard to reprisals.

After further discussion Mr. Gavin insisted that his resolution, as originally put in, should be placed before the meeting.

A vote was then taken, and the motion to adjourn was carried by eight votes to six.

The Secretary was ordered to telegraph the resolution to the Minister of Defence.

FLOUR MILLS STRIKE.

A SERIOUS OUTLOOK.

Questioned as to whether there had been any change in the position as regards the flour milling industry, Mr. Thomas Foran, General Secretary Irish Transport Union, said to an *Irish Times* representative yesterday:—

"There is nothing further to add to the statement that I made yesterday. If the flour runs out at Boland's, Halligan's, and Johnston, Mooney, and O'Brien's bakeries, before a settlement is arrived at in connection with the present dispute, the bread supply from these sources will cease, and many people will be thrown out of employment.

"In view of this we are considering the advisability of calling out the carters employed at bakeries, not at present affected. This will mean the stoppage of supplies of imported flour to these mills. Inside workers will also be involved, and the bakers will probably stop working also.

"If the bakers continued at work until the stock of flour available was exhausted, under these conditions, the public would have to go to the bakeries for their bread.

"There is, however, no immediate cause for alarm. We shall not take any definite action without giving notice to the public."

A member of the Strike Committee when seen by our representative said:—

"We have no fresh statement to make. Things are developing towards more drastic action on our part. In fact, there may be a general stoppage if there is not a speedy improvement.

MASTER CARRIERS' NEW TERMS.

The situation in the Dublin carrying trade dispute underwent a new development yesterday.

The masters originally requested a reduction of 20 per cent. in the men's weekly wages. This was subsequently modified to a proposed reduction of 5s. per week. The men refused to agree, and no counter proposals were put forward.

It is understood that yesterday at a meeting of the Dublin Carriers' Association, which included the motor haulage section of the trade, it was agreed that the following reductions are to be demanded, and that notice to this effect will be posted in the different yards on Monday next:—

Motor lorry drivers, 4s. 6d. per week.

Horse drivers and stablemen, 3s. per week.

Pro rata reductions also to apply to the men on "earnings." The reductions to come into operation as from the 19th inst.

DOCKERS' STRIKE ENDED.

CORK MEN DECIDE TO RETURN TO WORK.

The terms of agreement entered into between the shipowners and the Irish Transport officials at the conference in Dublin with a view to settling the dockers' strike reached Cork yesterday evening. Last night the men had a general meeting, when a vote was taken on the acceptance of the agreement, and by a majority it was carried. The terms were not disclosed.

The end of the dispute is welcomed generally, but the dockers' hesitancy to disclose the terms and the necessity for a vote suggest that the extremist element are not pleased.

The men will return to work immediately, but it is stated that general shipping, except to Dublin, cannot be resumed before Monday next.

R.D.S. MARCH SHOW.

EXTENDED TIME FOR ENTRIES.

A meeting of the Show and Sales Committee of the Royal Dublin Society was held at Leinster House yesterday, Mr. Harry Franks, J.P., in the chair. There were also present:—Mr. D. R. Pack-Beresford, O.B.E., D.L. (Hon. Sec.); Right Hon. Viscount Powerscourt, K.P.; Mr. John Leonard, Mr. Walter J. Walsh, Mr. Richard K. Wright, Mr Bertram H. Barton, D.L.; Right Hon. T. K. Laidlaw, P.C.; Lieutenant-Colonel Coote Hely-Hutchinson, and Mr. Edward Bohane, C.B.E. (Director).

The Director reported that about 400 entries had been received up to date for the March Show and Sale of pure-bred bulls and boars. On account of the difficulties experienced by breeders in outlying districts in completing their entries, it was decided to extend the time for entries to 7th February. The Committee recommended the appointment of Messrs. Gavin Low, Ltd., as auctioneers for this Show and Sale.

SHOTS FIRED INTO SHOP.

Revolver shots were fired through the windows of a publichouse in Blackrock, Co. Dublin, between midnight of Wednesday and 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The shots were fired from a passing motor car, which is described as a large one, containing five or six men. Several shots pierced the plateglass windows, and four bullets were found sticking in the woodwork of the shop. Other bullets struck a draper's shop next door. The publichouse is owned by Mr. J. P. McCabe, vice-chairman of the local Urban Council. The other shop is owned by a Mr. Kinley.

Mr. McCabe stated that about three-quarters of an hour before the attack on his house some shots were fired from a big, grey car. It carried six young men and was about 30 yards from his house when these shots were fired.

TRAIN DERAILED.

CARRIAGES THROWN OVER EMBANKMENT.

ESCAPES FROM SLIGO PRISON.

Four prisoners are reported to have escaped from Sligo Courthouse Jail on Wednesday night by cutting through the bars of a basement window.

A goods train, consisting of an engine, wagons, and van, has been derailed and thrown over the embankment at Dogs road Bridge, near Waterford.

Armed men on Wednesday night wrecked with explosives the signal cabin and waiting rooms at Dromin Railway Station, County Louth.

COUNTY WATERFORD.

TRAIN DERAILED.

THROWN OVER EMBANKMENT.

A goods train, consisting of engine, wagons, and van has been derailed and thrown over the embankment at Dogs road bridge, four miles from Waterford.

Our Waterford Correspondent telegraphs:—It is reported that a mixed passenger and live stock train was wrecked on Wendesday night, between New Ross and Waterford. Dublin daily papers did not arrive in Waterford until 4.30 yesterday afternoon. A breakdown train was also destroyed at Ballyvoile, County Waterford, on the Great Southern system.

COUNTY CORK.

NUMEROUS ARRESTS.

Reports issued in Cork yesterday state that two wanted men were captured at Dunmanway on the 29th ult.—Andrew Crowley, Shanagrane, and William O'Connell, Ahakeera. Five men were arrested at Ballineen on the 30th ult. They were:—Tim Regan, Ballineen, and Laurence Crowley, Castletown; Charles Donovan, Church Cross, Skibbereen; John Ryan, Belrose; and Michael Murray, Ballineen.

Armed men smashed all the telephones in the Ballymacoda and Ladysbridge areas, and looted cigarettes. They carried away £4 from a shop in Ballymacoda.

Eight armed men looted the publichouses and shops. They also arrested a member of the National Forces on leave, but he succeeded in escaping. Later a column of troops from Midleton got in touch with the party, and engaged them. The troops arrested Patrick Fitzgerald, Main street, Youghal.

COUNTY WEXFORD.

TELEGRAPH WIRES CUT.

All the telegraph wires on the Dublin and South Eastern Railway between Ferns and Gorey were cut during Wednesday night, the poles supporting the wires being also cut into pieces. The damage caused one hour's delay in the arrival of the mail train at Wexford yesterday morning.

COUNTY SLIGO.

FOUR PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Between eight and nine o'clock on Wednesday night four prisoners detained at the Courthouse Barracks, Sligo, escaped, and got clear away. They had cut through the bars of a cell in the basement, and getting into the area climbed the railings and dropped into the street. Soon an alarm was raised, but none of the fugitives was recaptured. They included Christie M'Lynn.

COUNTY LEITRIM.

BALLINAMORE FIGHT.

Our Ballyconnell correspondent telegraphs that after the attack on Ballinamore on Wednesday morning the railway premises were intact, except that the stationmaster's office had been broken into, the telegraph instruments had been put out of action, and about £13 had been taken from the drawers.

The garrison numbered 21, five of whom were absent. A leader of the attacking party climbed to the roof of a neighbouring house, and broke in the roof at the back of the barracks. Bombs were thrown in, rendering the garrison's position untenable.

The captured men were liberated at Drumshambo, whence they returned to Ballinamore.

The Ulster Bank premises were entered, and between £200 and £300 was taken.

COUNTY LOUTH.

SIGNAL CABIN BLOWN UP.

The Great Northern Railway Company's signal cabin at Dromin Station, Co. Louth, was destroyed by explosives on Wednesday at midnight. A second explosion wrecked the stationmaster's office and portion of the waiting-room. The stationmaster's dwelling-house was not attacked.

SEIZED LANDS.

A SHORT WAY WITH TRESPASSERS.

Military action to clear lands of trespassing stock has been taken on Lord Dunalley's estate, at Kilboy, near Nenagh. The house on this estate was burned last August, and Lord Dunalley's stock and goods, including household effects, were stolen. Trespassing stock were then driven on to the lands. This week the lands were cleared with the assistance of troops of the Limerick Command: 144 cattle and 13 horses which were being grazed there were seized. On Wednesday the impounded stock were despatched to Dublin by special train under guard, and were sold yesterday in the Dublin Market.

This action follows the policy announced by the Minister of Agriculture in his recent speech in the Dail on land purchase, in which he pointed out that illegal seizure of land would only hinder land purchase reform. It is known that since this warning was given lands in some places have been vacated by those who seized them.

JUSTICE IN ULSTER.

THE "CAT" FOR A SPECIAL CONSTABLE.

A former Ulster Special Police Constable named James Ernest M'Quillan came before Lord Justice Moore, in the Northern High Court yesterday, on a charge of armed robbery in the Free State. The case stood over from the Ulster Winter Assizes.

The accused was represented by Mr. W. F. M'Coy (instructed by Mr. James Cooper, M.P.), who said that the offence had been committed in County Leitrim, and there had been some doubt as to whether he could be dealt with in Northern Ireland. That had been definitely settled a couple of days ago. Having regard to the prisoner's services to his country, he asked his Lordship to take all things into consideration and deal as leniently with the prisoner as possible. The prisoner had always borne a good character.

His Lordship said that the accused had been a Special Constable, but had gone over the border into County Leitrim and there behaved like a common robber, together with a man named Brown. With revolvers they "held up" a man and robbed him. They thought that by going into a place where the law was not so strictly observed as it was in Northern Ireland they would escape punishment. Such people as the prisoner were impairing the peace of the whole community, and he sentenced the accused to penal servitude for three years from to-day, and after ten days and within six months he receive fifteen lashes from an instrument called the cat.

The death is announced of the Right Rev. D. Columba Marmion, Abbot of Traoldsous Abbey, Belgium, after a short illness.

EXPLOSIVES.

WAR COMPENSATION COURT'S JUDGMENTS.

Judgment in respect of several claims for compensation for the seizure of explosives in Ireland in 1918-20 was given by the War Compensation Court, Winchester House, London, yesterday.

Mr. F. A. Craig, of Craig's Engineering Works, Londonderry, claimed £1,033, being the value of a quantity of grenades manufactured by him, and of some spare parts, seized by the military authorities on the 31st January, 1920. The grenades were part of a stock manufactured for the Ministry of Munitions, which had been rejected as defective.

The Crown stated that one of the grenades had been used by rebels during an attack on the Derry Prison. No imputation was made against claimant's loyalty or *bona fides*, but it was this discovery which set the authorities in action.

The Court dismissed the claim, holding that the seizure was the enforcement of an order of general or local application under Sub-Section 4 C, of Regulation 9 AA, of the Defence of the Realm Regulations. In dismissing the claim the Court expressed no opinion as regards the claimant's rights, if any, under his contract with the Government for the supply of munitions, or in regard to any property of his retained by the Government.

Mr. J. D. Henderson, as liquidator of the Dunmanus Bay Barytes Co., Ltd., Ballydehob, Co. Cork, claimed compensation to the amount of £27 for loss by the seizure of explosives on April 24th, 1918. The order under the Defence of the Realm Regulations authorising the seizure in cases where a permit had not been obtained from the County Inspector came into force in the particular area on the date when the explosives were seized.

Claimants said that they were afforded no opportunity of complying with the order as to the handling of the explosives within the time limits stated.

The Court awarded the claimants the £27 agreed upon, holding that the seizure was a direct and particular interference with the property of the claimants, under Regulation 2 E of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and that the loss caused did not arise by reason of any order of general or local application.

Judgment on the same grounds was given respecting the claim of John Burke, of Castlederg, Co. Tyrone, who was awarded £21 18s. 6d. The Tyrone County Council was awarded £5, and the Carlow County Council £2 6s. 9d.

BRITAIN'S WAR BURDEN.

APPEAL TO JERSEY AND GUERNSEY.

His Majesty's Government, through Mr. Bridgeman, have addressed an appeal to the Bailiff and States of Jersey and Guernsey for consideration whether, in the present circumstances of the country, the islands should not make an annual contribution to the Imperial Exchequer.

In the communication to Jersey it is pointed out that, apart from that island's war contribution of £100,000, the United Kingdom has borne the full burden of the Imperial Services, from which Jersey's inhabitants derive equal benefit, and the burden has since the war become so enormous that the Government feel compelled to ask for a contribution to the Imperial expenditure in proportion to the benefits derived from it.

A statement and memorandum are attached to the letter, giving the Government's views at greater length, and examining in detail the question of the relative taxable capacity. By a hypothetical method of taxation advanced the British Government shows that inclusive contributions of £275,000 per annum from Guernsey and £325,000 from Jersey would do no more than establish an equality of burdens, and would really be little more than half as much per head of the population as in Great Britain.

GAMBLING CONDEMNED.

METHODIST COUNCIL ON SWEEPSTAKE EVIL.

A resolution condemning sweepstakes as being the cause of widespread gambling in Ireland was passed by the Dublin Methodist Council at their meeting yesterday, copies of which were directed to be sent to the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Home Affairs.

The Council urged upon the Government the necessity for taking strong measures to combat the growth of the gambling evil, and welcomed the steps the Government had already taken in that direction.

The provision of suitable lodgings and hostels for young persons coming to reside in Dublin was discussed and referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and report.

Forthcoming changes in administration as they affect the many important aspects of primary and secondary education in Ireland were dealt with in a discussion on "Problems of Education in the New Ireland."

CONTROL OF ARMS.

STRICTNESS IN THE NORTH.

A Derry "B" Special—Robert C. Andrews, of Boveragh—when charged with having in his possession, besides his "official" rifle, another rifle for which he had no permit, explained that the platoon to which he belonged was not at first issued with a sufficient number of rifles, and he had lent the rifle in question to a colleague named Robinson. The latter's application for a permit for it was refused, and the rifle came back into the possession of Andrews, who neglected to obtain a permit.

Captain Coote, District Inspector, stated that the Attorney-General had directed a prosecution, as they were very anxious to have all the rifles under their control. The defendant was not trying to evade the law, and he would have got a permit if he had applied. The case was brought in order to call attention to the necessity for permits, even for Special constables, when they had firearms other than those issued officially to them.

A nominal fine was imposed, as this was a warning case.

SHIPPING FRAUDS.

CLERK AND MERCHANT SENT TO JAIL.

At the Old Bailey, London, yesterday, George Middleton Handscomb (56), a clerk, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude, and Godfrey Bullon Segrave (32), merchant, to fifteen months in the Second Division, for frauds on the Ministry of Shipping.

Handscomb was a clerk in the Department, and the frauds arose out of the passing of claims for certain expenses in connection with the chartering of ships sent in by Segrave. The sum involved was about £9,000, of which Handscomb received two-thirds and Segrave one-third.

SOLICITORS' ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the directors of the Solicitors' Benevolent Association was held at the Association's Rooms, Dublin, Sir George Roche in the chair.

The following members attended:—Messrs. J. P. Ringwood, George Collins, Edward R. Bate, James Riordan, E. Samuel Lowe, James Henry, R. G. Warren, and F. C. Earle Bland, Secretary.

The Secretary reported having received since last meeting the sum of £214 4s., making the total annual subscriptions received since 1st January last £357.

The Secretary also reported having received the following donations:—Mrs. Rosamond B. Molony, £10 10s.; the President of the Incorporated Law Society (Mr. Joseph E. Macdermott), £5 5s.; Charles J. Reddy, £3 3s.; Messrs. Joseph M'Dermott, J. P. Ringwood, Aloysius J. Reddy, £2 2s. each; Messrs. E. R. Bate, James Riordan, P. J. Brady, Peter M. Scales, Edward H. Burne, Henry T. Chidley, James Henry, Alex. D. Orr, O. P. Beater, F. E. Birmingham, Wilmot C. Lloyd, C. St. G. Orpen, W. V. Seddall, Henry G. Cooper, W. Houghton W. Fry, E. Samuel Lowe, and R. G. Warren, £1 1s. each.

The directors then proceeded to consider the various cases for relief, and made grants to four applicants, amounting in all to £65, bringing the amount afforded in relief since the 1st of January up to £244 18s. 4d.

FATE OF LONDON CHURCHES.

PROPOSED UNION AND DISPOSAL.

The long-debated question of the fate of certain City of London churches came up for discussion by the National Assembly of the Church of England at Church House, Westminster, yesterday.

The Bishop of London moved that general approval be given to the Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolis) Measure, 1923. He appealed to the Assembly to discuss the matter without undue heat, remarking that he had been in hot water over the question for 21 years, and that the water, which was fairly hot before, was raised to boiling point by the Committee, of which Lord Phillimore was Chairman, in 1919. When they saw that suave, gentle figure addressing that Assembly, they could hardly believe that Lord Phillimore was the man who cast the firebrand in the otherwise peaceful diocese of London. (Laughter.)

He looked upon it as perfectly horrible to have to touch an ancient church. On the other hand, it was more horrible to see a hundred thousand people without a church. (Cheers.)

We have had to build in 50 years 260 churches, and man them, added the Bishop. I think that is something that redounds to the credit of the Church of England. People, he said, should not be too greatly influenced by the architectural value of a church. It was more necessary to have churches for the glory of God. In proportion to the wealth of the City of London, there was but very little money forthcoming. The Bishop of London had the power to transfer money from the city to the more populous districts, when churches were urgently needed, but only one church could be built this year.

EMPTY CHURCHES.

There were 47 churches in a very small area, scarcely any of them having anyone in them on Sundays. The resident population was 13,071; the day population 364,061. The capital value of the sites of 19 of those churches had been lately calculated at £1,695,600, and probably, if they took the whole 47 together, it would run into five, six, or seven millions.

Lord Hugh Cecil, supporting the measure, said that its object was to set up machinery which would determine the controversies which raged around the city churches, and which would command the general confidence of all.

The Bishop of Chelmsford (Dr. Watts-Ditchfield) formerly a Bethnal Green Vicar, said that churches in industrial London were hopelessly understaffed. The population of London, over the border, had increased from 100,000 in 1870 to a million to-day, and that growth was more or less of one class and type, and made their difficulty enormous. Democracy must be spiritualised if England is to be saved, said the Bishop. What has London done for the population of the East of London? The City of London has never fulfilled its obligations or risen to its responsibilities.

A WIFE'S CHARGES.

CROSS-PETITIONS FOR DIVORCE.

The hearing of the cross-petitions in the Dodgson divorce case was resumed in the Divorce Court, London, yesterday.

Mrs. Dodgson, further cross-examined, said that when she was at Dover after the birth of the second child she was miserable. Her husband wrote: "Go and get packed up in Folkestone and have a blow out. It will do you good; only don't go too far."

Counsel—Did you really take it as an invitation to live an immoral life at Folkestone?

Witness—Yes, I did. While they were living in a Bayswater boarding-house, said the witness, they all went into each other's bedrooms, having tea each evening in one bedroom or other. There was a good deal of "ragging" between them all. The witness thought that her husband committed adultery with Miss Lovegrove after they had all been to the theatre and supper, and also when she found them in a compromising position one afternoon.

You sent your love to Miss Lovegrove and through her to your husband?

Witness—Yes, because they wrote to me and said "love from us both."

Mr. Wallace Kyle Henney said that Mr. Dodgson's association with Miss Lovegrove was rather Bohemian—free and easy. The witness denied any familiarity with Mrs. Dodgson.

Mrs. Marion Henney deposed that she never raised any objection to her husband seeing Mrs. Dodgson, and though she knew that her husband was going to be made a co-respondent she did not think it indiscreet for him to be meeting Mrs. Dodgson frequently.

Mr. Rawlinson, for Mr. Dodgson, submitted that his wife and Mr. Henney becoming infatuated, continuously committed adultery, and that her charge was intended as an answer to charges against herself.

The hearing was adjourned.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

NEW COUNCILLORS.

The result of the election for nine vacancies on the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce was announced yesterday.

The successful candidates were:—Richard W. Booth, J.P., Chairman, Messrs. Booth Brothers, Limited (226 votes); William Crowe, managing director, W. and L. Crowe, Limited (221 votes); Marcus Goodbody, J.P., manufacturer (221 votes); W. Lombard Murphy, M.D., company director (221 votes); J. C. M. Eason, B.A., director, Messrs. Eason and Son, Limited (219 votes); Patrick Leonard, J.P., cattle salesmaster (215 votes); Malachi J. O'Reilly, director, Messrs. P. O'Reilly, Limited (173 votes); William Wallace, J.P., director, Wallace Brothers, Limited (163 votes); and Senator Michael O'Dea, J.P., manufacturer (151 votes).

A DUBLIN "CRAZE."

RAISING OF LEVELS IN THE CITY.

Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday decided to receive a deputation from the Dublin Corporation on Thursday next, in connection with the proposed improvements at the Bull Wall.

A report from the Engineer, stating that the Corporation of Dublin would shortly consider the question of paving Eden quay, and that if the level of the road was raised it would necessitate the raising of the foot-paths and river wall, the plans to include the raising of the level on the river side, was approved, the Chairman observing that this question of raising levels in the city was a craze.

PENSIONERS IMPRISONED.

SENTENCES AT BELFAST.

Patrick Maguire, who has a Constabulary pension of £44, was brought up for sentence before Lord Justice Moore, in Belfast yesterday. He had been convicted of robbery.

His Lordship said that the prisoner had served as a police sergeant in Belfast, and appeared to have kept that position without fault. He passed a sentence of twelve months' imprisonment, without hard labour, and recommended His Grace the Governor to let the prisoner's pension be continued when the sentence was served. He did this because the police authorities believed that the prisoner was hardly responsible for what he was doing.

Thomas Montgomery, an elderly man, who was convicted of armed robbery, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

The prisoner had served, not only in the Constabulary, but in the Army, from which he had a pension of 8s. 8d. a week.

It was stated that the prisoner had lost £200, which he had lodged as security for another man, who had absconded.

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THE LOCAL STATE SOLICITORS.

OFFICIAL LIST OF NEW APPOINTMENTS.

On January 12th we published unofficially the names of fourteen solicitors who have been appointed as local State solicitors in the room of the Crown solicitors, who had been acting for many years.

We are now officially supplied with the names of all the new appointments, with the exception of those for the counties of Kildare and Longford. The names of the superseded Crown solicitors are given in parentheses:—

County Carlow—Terence Doyle, Tullow (J. Norris Goddard).

County Cavan—Edward J. Duffy, Kingscourt (L. C. P. Smith).

County Clare—John B. Lynch, Ennis (F. F. Cullinan).

Cork City and Division—Maurice O'Connor, Cork.

County of Cork (West Riding)—Captain Thomas Healy, Skibbereen (J. Travers Wolfe).

County of Cork (East Riding)—Daniel Casey, Mitchelstown (Anthony Carroll).

County Donegal—William T. MacMenamin, Ballybofey (H. T. Gallagher).

County Galway—Richard J. Kelly, Galway (P. S. Golding).

County Kerry—Terence J. Liston, Tralee (E. J. Dowing).

County Kilkenny—Martin J. Crotty, LL.D., Kilkenny (Louis J. Watters).

Limerick City—Hugh O'Brien Moran, Limerick (James S. Gaffney).

County Limerick—John J. Power, Kilmallock (James S. Gaffney).

County Leitrim—George Lynch, Carrick-on-Shannon (Robert A. Corscadden).

County Louth—J. B. Hamill, LL.B., Dundalk (Alexander Gartlan).

County Mayo—John Kelly, Westport (John W. F. Garvey).

County Meath—Justin C. McKenna, Kells (John G. Fottrell).

County Monaghan—J. J. Keenan, Monaghan (Henry Murphy).

County of Leix (Queen's County)—Patrick J. Meehan, Maryborough (Paul A. Brown).

King's County—James Rogers, Tullamore (Henry F. Brenan).

County Roscommon—Patrick J. Nellan, Roscommon (P. C. MacDermott).

County Tipperary (North Riding)—James O'Brien, Nenagh (Michael Gleeson).

County Tipperary (South Riding)—Francis J. O'Connor, Thurles.

County Sligo—W. J. O'Reilly, Sligo (Thomas H. Williams).

County Waterford—E. Arthur Ryan, Dungarvan (Henry R. Tweedy).

County Westmeath—J. E. Wallace, Mullingar (F. J. Dowdall).

County Wexford—Thomas J. Kelly, LL.B., New Ross (Captain H. J. Jones).

County Wicklow—Augustus Cullen, Wicklow (R. G. Warren).

No appointment has yet been made for the counties Kildare and Longford.

It is understood that the cases of the Crown Solicitors of Ireland, who have been removed from their positions consequent on the change of the Government, have been before the Civil Service Commission (Compensation), which is presided over by Mr. Justice Wylie. Each case was considered separately, and the result will be communicated to each solicitor concerned. It is understood that, in principle, the right of each Crown Solicitor to compensation has been admitted, but the amount will vary according to circumstances.

ASTRONOMICAL NOTES FOR FEBRUARY.

(From Our Astronomical Correspondent.)

The Planets:—

Mercury is a morning star, south of the Sun, and badly placed for observation. He is at his greatest elongation from the Sun on the 23rd. During the week February 18th-25th he rises a little more than an hour before sunrise, and may at that time be visible to a painstaking and keen-eyed observer.

Venus also is in the morning sky, and easily the brightest object there in the absence of the Moon. She rises from two to three hours before the Sun, being at her greatest elongation on the 4th. On that date her phase is a half-moon. The brilliancy of this planet, especially when seen low down in the morning sky, is occassionally a sad puzzle to the uninitiated in astronomical lore, and sometimes even to those who ought to be better informed. During last month, when Venus was low in the S.E. shortly before sunrise, a French provincial paper published an article headed "A Puzzle in the Sky," describing the appearance of a brilliant light in the South-Eastern heavens. This was observed carefully, with the telescope, too, by the aviation officers at Angers, and was found to have the form of a crescent. But nobody seems to have thought of identifying the strange crescent with the planet Venus.

Some years ago, during the war, the naval authorities at Cherbourg sent a torpedo boat in chase of Venus, mistaking her for the light of a German cruiser or submarine. But during the Boer War was it not whispered that a British battery fired on the Dog Star, mistaking it for a Boer signal light?

Mars is still an evening star, and is even becoming more conspicuous, thanks to his steady Northward march, though he is rapidly increasing his distance from the earth. He is, however, no use as a telescopic object, even in a powerful glass, owing to his distance. He sets at almost the same time throughout February, a little later each night, from 5 to 10 or 12 minutes past 10 p.m.

Jupiter rises at 1.40 a.m. at the beginning of the month, and just at midnight at the end. He is in Libra, and 16 degrees South of the Equator, so he is not at all well placed for Northern observers, and will not be for several years to come.

Saturn rises before 11 p.m. at the beginning of February, and near 9 p.m. at the end. He is in Virgo, and more than 10 degrees further North than Jupiter, whom he is following more slowly into the Southern Hemisphere. Observers in the British Isles would do well to make the most of opportunities of observing Saturn this year. For the next six years he will be getting lower and lower in our skies, and it will be about 12 years before he is again as well placed for us as he is this year. His ring system is fairly well open now, and will be more widely open each year for the next five years. But the more delicate parts of his system, the crape ring, the divisions in the ring system, and the fainter satellites, will be difficult objects, even in large telescopes, for a long time to come in these latitudes.

The Moon in February:—

Full Moon on the 1st, at 3.53 p.m.

Last Quarter on the 8th, at 9.16 a.m.

New Moon on the 15th, at 7.7 p.m.

First Quarter on the 24th, at 12.6 a.m.

conjunction of the Moon with planets. Saturn on the 6th at 8.58 am. There will be an occultation of the planet at stations in the tropics and southern temperate latitudes.

Jupiter on the 8th at 6.34 a.m.

Venus on the 11th at 8.7 p.m.

Mercury on the 13th at 6.3 p.m.

Mars on the 20th at 8.2 a.m.

A partial eclipse of the Moon in the early morning hours of March 3rd, though not strictly coming under February phenomena, may be here mentioned to give readers early notice. The first contact with the shadow is at 2.28 a.m., middle of eclipse 3.32, and last contact 4.36 a.m. The eclipse is a small one.

The Sun:—

In February there is a larger difference between the Sun and the clock than at any other time of year, except October and November the difference is greatest. 14 mins. 24 sec. on the 11th and 12th, the clock being that much faster than the Sun. On November 2nd-5th, the clock is 16 min. 22 sec. slower than the Sun. In the interval—November 5th to February 11th—the clock gains 30 min. 45 sec. on the Sun, the two being level on Christmas Day. This is the reason why the mornings continue dark long after New Year's Day, while the evenings have begun to lighten perceptibly soon after Christmas. Clock time is gaining on Sun time faster than the increasing length of the day can overtake it in the mornings. In the evenings the two effects work the same way, and reinforce each other. In the morning they work opposite ways and neutralise each other. After February 12th, the morning light increases rapidly, as the clock has ceased to gain on the Sun. The interval between clock noon and solar noon is called the Equation of Time. The two noons, clock and Sun, or Mean Noon and Apparent Noon, are together four times in the year, April 15th, June 15th, September 1st, and December 25th.

The Stars:—

At midnight on February 1st, 11 p.m. on February 15th, 10 p.m. on March 1st.

The brilliant winter star-groups have by this time all passed over to the Western sky. Orion and Taurus are approaching setting. Sirius shines low in the S.W. Procyon, the stars of Gemini, and Auriga are still high up.

On the meridian are the forepart of Ursa Major, Lynx, Cancer, and the head of Hydra. The red star, Alpha Hydræ, called by the Arabs "Al Fard," and by the Chinese "The Red Bird" is easily identified, being the only bright star in a large blank space. Hence its Arabic name, which means "the solitary." Leo is approaching the meridian and Virgo is rising. Böotes and Corona are in the N.E. Low on the N. horison are the two great white stars of the summer skies, Vega and Deneb. A round dozen of 1st magnitude stars are visible—namely, Aldebaran, Capella, Bitilgeuse, Rigel, Sirius, Procyon, and Pollux in the S.W. quadrant. Regulus and Spica in the S.E. Arcturus N.E., and Vega and Deneb nearly N.

W. F. A. Ellison.

Armagh Observatory.

Astronomical Telescopes.—Dixon and Hempenstall, State Opticians, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

U.S. MARKETS.

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CLOSING PRICES.

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices		Business Done.	
		Wed	Thur	H.	L.
109¾	Funded	102¾	102¾	—	—
110⅛	U.S. New 4% Loan	103⅜	103⅜	—	—
107⅞	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	100¾	100½	—	—
95½	Do. Preference	89¾	89¾	—	—
107⅞	Do. 4% Con. Bonds	100	100¼	—	—
50	Baltimore and Ohio	46⅛	46⅛	—	—
143⅝	Canadian Pacific	142¼	143⅝	—	—
79⅞	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	74½	74¾	—	—
24⅜	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	23¾	23½	—	—
86¾	Chicago and N.-West.	80½	80⅝	—	—
124⅞	Do Pref.	116	116	—	—
19	Erie 1st Preferred	17½	17½	—	—
48⅛	Do. 4% Gen. Lien Bds	45	45	—	—
79⅝	Great Northern Pref.	74	74¾	—	—
120⅜	Illinois Central	112	112¼	—	—
73¾	Lehigh Valley	68¾	68½	—	—
139¼	Louisville & Nashville	130	130½	—	—
11¾	Mis'ri, Kan., & Texas	10¾	10½	—	—
—	Do. 2nd Mt. 4% Gd. B.	Nom.	Nom.	—	—
17⅛	Missouri Pacific New	16¾	16½	—	—
6⅛	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pf.	6¾	6¾	—	—
2⅜	Do. 2nd Pref.	2½	2½	—	—
101⅛	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	94¼	94¼	—	—
120⅜	Norfolk & West. Com.	112¾	112¼	—	—
80¾	Northern Pacific Com.	74	74⅜	—	—
21¾	Ontario and Western	20	19¾	—	—
49¾	Pennsylvania Shares	46⅞	46†	—	—
82⅜	Reading Shares	76⅜	76¾	—	—
37⅛	Do. 1st Preferred	33⅝	33½	—	—
81⅝	Do. 4% Mort. Bonds	85⅝	85½	—	—
31⅛	Southern Railway	28⅝	29	—	—
96¼	Southern Pacific	90⅝	90	—	—
23⅛	Texas and Pacific	21	21½	—	—
146⅞	Union Pacific	137¾	137	—	—
80⅛	Do. Pref.	75	75	—	—
99	Do. 4% Bonds	91⅜	92¾	—	—
10	Wabash Common	9⅝	9½	—	—
29⅛	Do. Preferred A	27⅝	27½	—	—
60⅜	Amr. Smelt. Refin. Com.	56⅞	56⅝	—	—
56⅛	Anaconda Copper	47⅝	47⅞	—	—
20⅞	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	19⅝	19⅝	—	—
71⅛	N.Y. Cons. Gas	133	67	—	—
193⅛	General Electric	184¼	186⅝	—	—
111⅛	U.S. Steel Common	104½	104¾	—	—
125⅛	Do. 1st Preferred	119½	120	—	—
110	Do. 2nd 5% Bonds	102⅝	102⅝	—	—
—	Silver (Foreign Mined)	64⅜	64¾	—	—
—	Do. (U.S. Mined) Ref.	99⅝	99⅝	—	—
9⅜	Inter M.M. Com. Certs.	9	9¼	—	—
41½	Do. Prefd. Certs.	38	38⅝	—	—
47½	Royal Dutch Oil	43¾	44	—	—
36⅝	Shell Transport	34⅝	34½	—	—
3 0⅞	Mexican Petroleum	280*	280*	—	—
82⅛	Pan-American Pet.	86	86½	—	—
14⅛	General Motors	13⅝	13⅝	—	—
61½	U.S. Rubber	57⅝	57¾	—	—

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex Bonus. § Ex rights.

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
Call Money	4½b. 5a.	5b. 5½a.
Ex. on Ln. 60 days' st.	4.62 62½	4.63.87½
Ex. on Ln. Demand Bills	4.64 67⅝	4.66.00
Cable Transfers	4.65 12½	4.65.25
Ex. on Paris, sight	5.97	6.04
Berlin Cheques	0.26	0.24
Cotton, Mid., Upland	27.30	27.40
Do., New Orleans, Mid	28.00	27.62
Cottonseed Oil, P. Sum. Yellow Spot	10.85	10.80
Cottonseed Oil, Yel. Ma.	11.11	11.23
Petro., Refined, in cases	16.50	16.50
Do., Standard White	13.25	13.25
Do., Philad. Stan. do.	13.25	13.25
Do., Pennsyl., Crude	3.55	3.50
Spirits of Turpentine	150	148
Do., Savannah	Nominal	135
Resin, Grade K	4.77½	4.75
Do., Grade F	4.62½	4.55
Lard, Prime West Stm	12.20	12.17½
Do., Midland West	11.80—11.90	11.70—11.80
Tallow, Extra	8⅝	8¼
Sugar, New Cuban	5.28	5.40
Corn, West., No. 2 Mix.	87.00	87⅜
Wheat, No. 2 Hd. Wtr.	128	128¾
Do., No. 2 Red Winter	132	132½
Do., No. 2 Mix. Drm.	120⅝	121½
Coffee, Rio No. 7	12⅛	12⅛
Flour, Spring Clears	5.50—6.00	5.50—6.00
Iron, No. 2 Nor. Fdry.	29.00	29.00
Tin, Straits	39.87½	40.12½
Zinc, East St. Louis	7.15	7.10
Electrolytic Cop., Spot	15.00—15⅛	15.00—15⅛
Do. do., Futures, July	15.00—15⅛	15.00—15½
Freight, Heavy Grain to U. Kingdom, per bushel	1/6—2/0	1/6—2/0
Freight, Heavy Grain to Continent, per bushel	9—11	9—11
Freight, Cont. to L'pool (high density)	20	20
Do., Stand. (per 100lb.)	35	35

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Eng. Equiv	Stocks and Shares.	Closing Price	
		Thur.	—
71½	Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Ltd.	57½	—
71⅛	Asbestos Corp of Canada, Ltd	67⅞	—
90⅛	Do. Preferred	83	—
44⅛	Brazilia. T.L. & P. Co., Ltd.	42	—
9⅛	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd	9	—
72	Do. 1st Preference, Series B	68	—
28	Do. 2nd Preference	25	—
39½	Brompton Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd	37½	—
83⅜	Canada Cement Co., Ltd.	78	—
122⅛	Canadian Cottons Co., Ltd.	118	—
18⅛	Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd	17	—
50⅛	Do Preferred	47½	—
28⅛	Con. Mining & Smelt. Co. of Canada, Ltd.	28¼	—
—	Dominion Textile Co., Ltd.	—	—
98	Laurentide Co., Ltd.	92½	—
110⅛	Montreal L. H. & P. Consol.	104	—
50⅞	National Breweries, Ltd.	48	—
47½	Price Bros. and Co., Ltd.	44½	—
121⅛	Shawinigan Water & Power Co.	114	—
99⅝	Spanish R. P'p & P'r Mills, Ltd.	94	—
1.8	Do. Preferred	102	—
66½	Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd.	62½	—

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

RUBBER firmer, ¼c. higher; first latex crepe, 34½; smoked ribbed sheets, 34¼.

SUGAR firm, 12 points higher for Centrifugal Cuban; Porto Rico, 5.21. Futures steady, 2 points to 1 point up. March, 3.56; May, 3.65; July, 3.76; September, 3.84. 100,000 bags of Cuban sugar were sold to-day at 5.40 for shipment the last half of February.

COTTON opened steady, 15 to 8 points up, and scored more gains on firm cables, buying by foreign interests, an improvement on the Southern spot markets, and the trade buying. Disappointing Manchester news and Southern selling brought about a reaction, but heavier exports and Southern spinners bidding helped another forward move. Wall street selling and liquidation followed; then on covering operations the market closed steady, 12 points down to unchanged. Spot quiet, 10 points lower. New Orleans spot declined 38 points. Receipts—Atlantic 3,000, Gulf 7,000. Exports—Britain 8,000, Continent 18,000. February, 27.17; March, 27.27; April, 27.40; May, 27.52; June, 27.31; July, 27.08; August, 26.40; September, 25.40; October, 24.90; November, 24.80; December, 24.68; January, unquoted.

COTTON OIL easy at the quotations.

PETROLEUM—Refined steady.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat steady, ¼c. higher; No. 2 hard winter, 113.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat firm, 2c. up; No. 2 red winter, 134.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat firm at 1c. advance; No. 1 Northern spring, 121.

WINNIPEG—Wheat opened barely steady, ⅛c. to ¼c. lower, but rallied later, and closed steady at ⅛c. to ⅜c. advance; May, 112¼; July, 112⅝. Oats steady and unchanged; May, 48⅞.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

WHEAT opened easy at ⅛c. to ⅜c. reduction, and displayed more weakness early under continued rains, lower Liverpool cables, and a bearish estimate of Argentine shipments; but later rallied and advanced on rumours of export business, smaller interior receipts, large seaboard clearances, commission house buying, and covering. Bulls gave their support, and the market closed steady, 1c. to ⅛c. up. Spot steady. No. 2 hard winter, spot, 118; No. 3 hard winter, spot, nominal. May, 118; July, 112¼; September, 109⅞.

CORN opened easy, ⅛c. to ⅜c. lower, and went lower owing to large stocks, favourable Argentine reports, and liquidation; then took a forward move under smaller country offerings and receipts, adverse weather, sympathy with wheat, shorts covering, and commission house buying. The market closed steady at ⅛c. to ⅜c. gain. No. 2 mixed, spot, 71⅝; May, 73⅜; July, 73⅞; September 73⅞.

OATS seady at ⅛c. gain. May, 44⅞; July, 42⅞; September, 41⅞.

PROVISIONS opened steady, and declined on lower hogs, heavy receipts, unfavourable European advices, slack buying, and packers selling; then rallied in sympathy with grain and on shorts covering, the market closing barely steady, with lard 5 to 7½ points and ribs 12½ points down. Lard—March, 11.25; May, 11.37½; July, 11.50. Pork unquoted. Ribs—May, 10.87½.

BACON steady and unchanged. The receipts of hogs at 15 principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1, total 9,506,000, against 8,209,000 for the same season last year.

HOGS easy, with light 15 and heavy 10 to 13 points lower.

	Short Rib Sides		HOGS.			
	Drysalted	Loose.	Light.		Heavy	
To-day	10.50	11.50	8.50	8.75	8.10	8.30
Prev. day	10.50	11.50	8.65	8.90	8.30	8.45

SHIPBUILDING WAGES.

AGREEMENT SOUGHT AT LONDON CONFERENCE.

Negotiations between committees of the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation and the Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Unions, in regard to overtime on exceptional and urgent work and night shifts, were resumed in London yesterday. Owing, it is understood, to a difference of policy, Mr. John Hill was succeeded as Chairman of the Unions' negotiations committee at yesterday's proceedings by Mr. Lennard, and left the negotiations at an early state.

At the conclusion of the sitting it was announced that some progress had been made, but no definite conclusions had been arrived at. The meeting adjourned until next Thursday.

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CORPORATION AND FLOODING

Belfast's new electricity station, upon the Harbour site, was again discussed at the Corporation meeting yesterday.

Councillor Alexander, referring to the minutes of the Electricity Committee, said that the criticisms he made in April, 1919, regarding the new electricity station at the harbour, were laughed at, but they were coming true. He understood that during the past six or seven weeks the sea had threatened the new station and flooded the basement to the extent of almost three feet, engulfing quite a lot of valuable machinery. An old engine pump, which was formerly used by the Fire Brigade, was brought on the scene, and the firemen during the past five weeks had been pumping the water out until, on Tuesday last, they had succeeded in getting it all out—except, he thought, about 18 inches. (Laughter.) There was not a word of that in the minutes. Then he saw there was an item in the accounts for payment of £2,544 10s. to Preece, Cardew, and Rider for professional services. He moved that the item should be referred back in order that the Council might get details of what the money was for. Previous to this the same company had been paid a sum of almost £12,000. Where these payments were going to end to the consultants for having brought them into this terrible position he did not know. He also suggested that the committee should lay on the table details of the amount expended to date on the new station, and also the amounts to which the Corporation had been committed.

Councillor Doran seconded the amendment.

Councillor Henderson said that Councillor Alexander's statement was a very serious one, and the citizens must have an explanation. Here was a station that was going to cost the ratepayers a million pounds or over, and it was flooded to a depth of three feet. They ought to know how the consultants had allowed them to drift into that hole.

Alderman Jamieson, replying to criticisms, said that the flooding took place when there was an abnormal spring tide, the highest in the lough for about twenty years. The engineers were at that time putting in the pipes in connection with the pumping arrangements for the condensing water system. The pipes had been put in, the culverts were open, but the pumps had not been placed in, and the operation was going on at the time of this abnormal tide. The Corporation were legally bound to pay the sum of £2,544 to the consultants, the amount being fees in connection with the installation of machinery, which had become due.

UNCOLLECTED RATES.

CO. LEITRIM'S DIFFICULTIES.

Rates outstanding in County Leitrim were reported to Leitrim County Council as amounting to £13,448 of the first moiety, and £52,961 of the second moiety. Mr. Stack, the inspector, who said that the rate books were now in the hands of the military, advised the Council that it was for them to devise some means of collecting the rates, as the collectors would not collect them.

Mr. McMorrow said that there were certain people who did not want to pay at all times, and then they got on platforms. He was sorry to say that they were backed up by the Farmers' Union.

When it was suggested that the collectors should be given back the books and told to collect the money, Mr. Stack said that they would find all the books gone before their next meeting. He added that several collectors were afraid to handle money, as they would be intimidated.

It was decided that the collectors should be told to collect and to proceed in the courts against defaulters, and that if they failed to discharge their duties they should be dispensed with at the quarterly meeting three weeks hence.

The Secretary's estimate for the coming year was £44,000, which requires a flat rate of 6s. 4d. in the £. The Council passed the general estimate, but declined to strike a rate for the Cavan and Leitrim Railway.

At the meeting of the Finance Committee of Tyrone County Council it was stated that the estimates would require an increase of 1d. in the £ on the county at large rates. Comment was made on the increase of £1,000 required by Omagh District Asylum, notwithstanding the fall in the cost of provisions. Members of the Committee remarked that a change in lunacy administration was required to put the charges on a wider area than the county.

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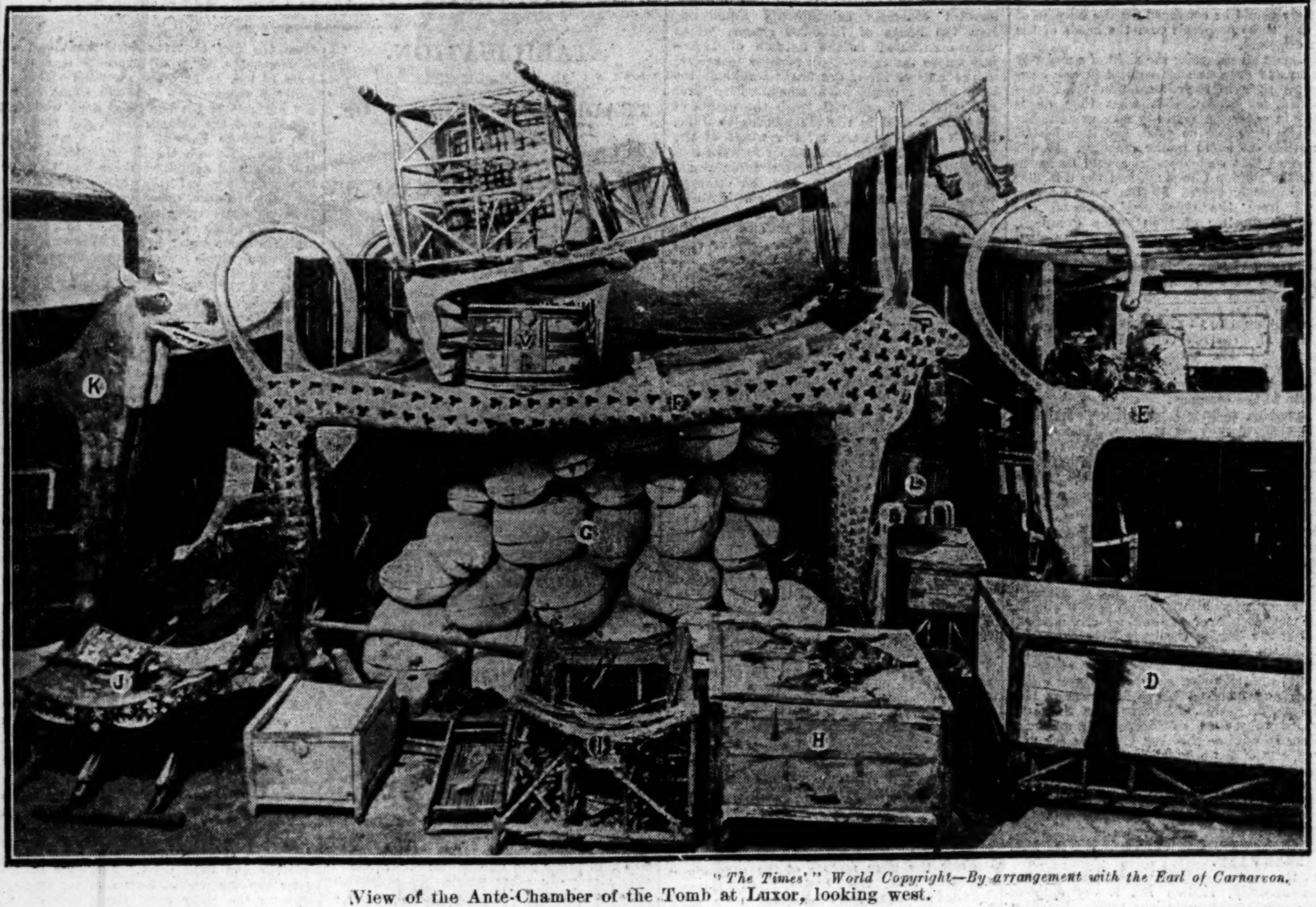
EGYPTIAN TREASURES OF 3,000 YEARS AGO PRESERVED.



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View of the Ante-Chamber of the Tomb at Luxor, looking west.

TREASURES IN PHOTOGRAPH DESCRIBED.

D—Long wooden box, with hinged lid, painted white, with ebony veneer bearing the protocol of the King, inlaid with ivory. The contents included the undergarments of the King, some in woven tapestry fabric. Numerous ceremonial staves; the larger part of an ivory whip, carved with hieroglyphics and heavily embellished with gold; a royal mace, sheathed with decorated bronze; six cubit measures, and many arrow-shafts, their bronze heads having been broken off by the dynastic metal robbers.

E—Large Royal ceremonial gilt couch, with supports in the form of lions. Upon this were stacked a bedstead, caskets, ornamental stands for small torches (the first ever discovered), and other objects. Below were a chair, stools, shrines, containing emblems of the underworld, and a magnificent casket inlaid with ivory and ebony.

F—Large Royal ceremonial gilt couch, with supports in the form of "Hat-Hor" cows. Stacked upon the top were bedstead, stools, wood, and papyrus chair; a superbly inlaid semi-circular box (V), two sistra, that ring music to-day. Below were numerous white boxes (G).

G—Boxes, containing mummified joints of meat, haunches of gazelle, liver, and trussed ducks, etc. Food for the "Ka," or soul of the King.

H—A painted red box, with one of the King's faience collarettes, resting on the lid and a number of faience rings strung on a roll of linen. The contents of the box include—Tapestry woven fabrics (unfortunately much perished), one of which bears in the centre a magnificent scarab finely wrought in silver and gold inlaid with stones, the design comprising the nomen of the King Kheperu-Neb-Ra.

I—Papyrus rush-work stool, much decayed.

J—The King's stool, made of solid ebony inlaid with ivory, and having gold mountings. The feet of the stool are carved and inlaid to represent ducks' heads, while the seat represents the skin of an animal.

K—Large Royal ceremonial gilt couch, supported by animals of Typhonic type, such as are found among the demons of the underworld in ancient Egyptian mythology. Upon this is a large wooden casket painted white, and bearing the prenomen and nomen of the King, and also the cartouches of the Queen Ankh-S-En-Amen. Box still unopened.

L—Four alabaster unguent vases, of unique type and beauty. They are flanked with open-work lotus and papyrus device, signifying the binding together of the "Two Lands"—*i.e.*, Upper and Lower Egypt, on the margins of which are symbols RNPT-HEN, "a hundred thousand years." The vases still contain their unguents, which in the warmth of the sun becomes viscous.

V—A semi-circular veneered box, of unknown use, having minute detail of inlaid ivory. Contents: linen fabric (not yet examined), and possibly other articles underneath.

IRISH HOUSES OF TO-DAY DESTROYED.

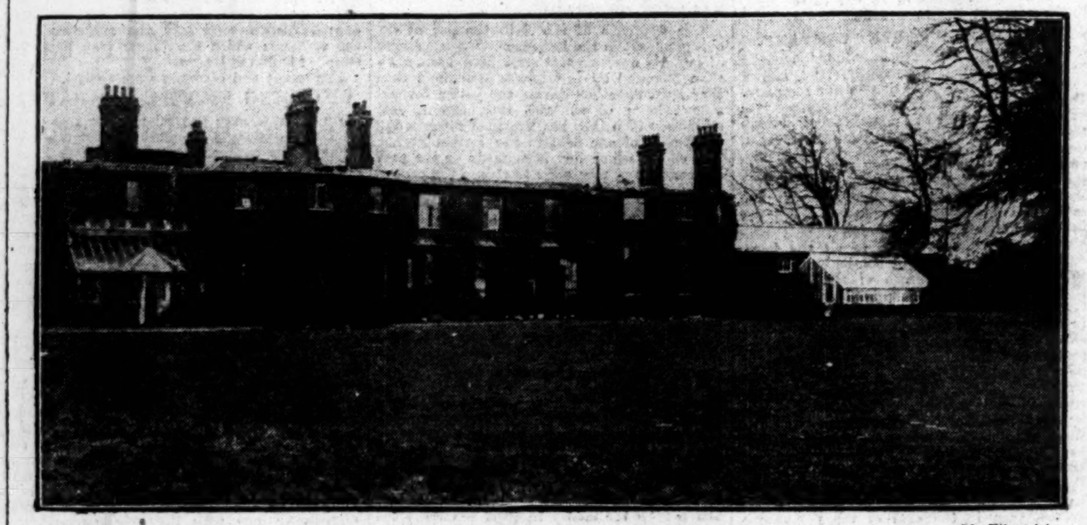


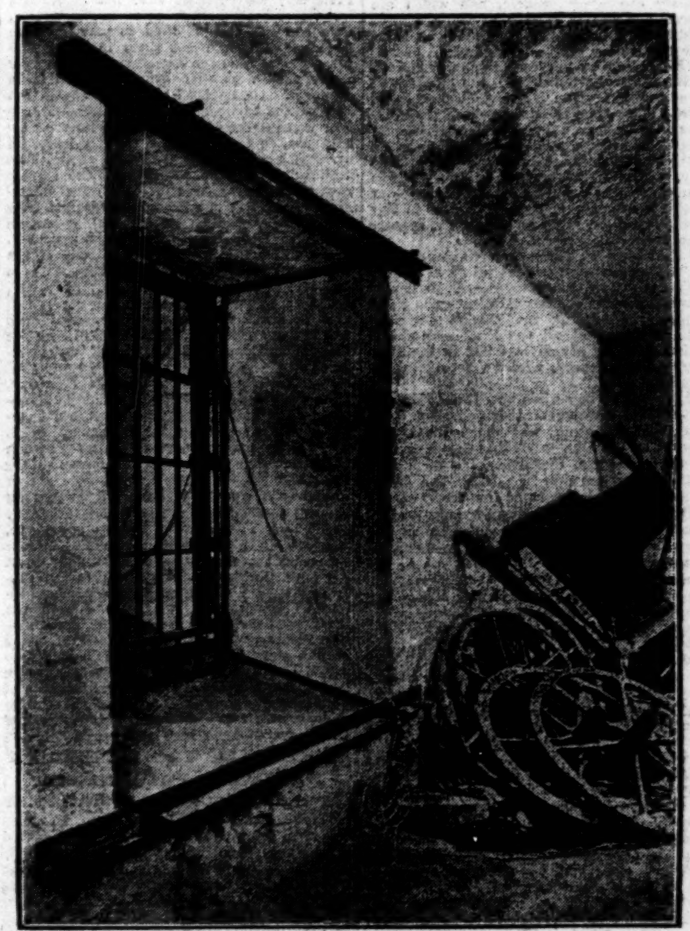
Photo by] [J. Kilpatrick.

Milestown House, Castlebellingham, Co. Louth, occupied by Major Barrow, a retired officer of the Indian Army, which was burned this week.

Photo by] [Irish Times.

The house of Mr. Stephen Gwynn, at Templehill, Terenure, Dublin, which was wrecked on Wednesday by a mine. (Inset, Mr. Stephen Gwynn.)

ENTRANCE TO THE TOMB.



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Entrance to the doorway, which has been fitted with a modern steel gate to protect the contents. Wheels and body of chariot piled on right.

POLICEMEN AND GIFTS.

LONDON CONSTABLES ON TRIAL.

The trial of two members of the London City Police, Reginald Scott Stanley (29), and Edgar Thomas George (22), on charges of conspiring to accept gifts from David Cope, as inducements for forbearing to show him disfavour, and of attempting to obtain bribes, was opened at the Old Bailey yesterday. The defendants pleaded not guilty.

Prosecuting counsel stated that Cope was a bookmaker, and the allegation against the defendants was that they agreed to accept bribes from Cope not to enforce the law in regard to street betting. Counsel went on to describe the arrest of two agents of Cope, in regard to one of whom George saw Cope about bail, and demanded a lump sum. He refused to state the amount as he had to consult his "mate." A meeting was arranged between the two defendants and Cope, at which Cope was told that he would be arrested unless he paid £25. Cope afterwards rang up the City Police, and it was arranged that two inspectors should be present at another meeting. This time George said that the amount was £25 each, and Cope was in the act of paying over the first instalment of £30 when the inspectors came on the scene. The defendants stated that Cope was trying to bribe them.

Inspector Gosling said that there had been complaints of street betting, and he selected the defendants for patrol duty, as he regarded them as zealous and intelligent officers. They were both men of excellent character. George arrested a man in whose bag were found 283 betting slips and £143. The defendants were still in the Force on full pay.

Cope stated that when George called and asked for a lump sum the witness told him to clear out or he would report him. George replied: "You can do what you like. I have a roving commission, and I can do what I like." Later, when he met both defendants, one of them suggested a sum of £25.

The hearing was adjourned.

GLASGOW LAWYER'S DOWNFALL.

In the Glasgow Sheriff Court yesterday, William McKinlay, a lawyer, admitted embezzling £12,000, and was remitted to the High Court for sentence.

Accused was stated to have embezzled, in the first instance, £5,000 given him by a client to invest, and £7,000 from another man, for whom he was acting as trustee and executor of his estate.

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

No. 1.—By LOW

(The Famous Cartoonist).

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Mr. Winston Churchill's secret history of the Great War will appear daily in the *Irish Times*, beginning next Thursday. Order your copy to-day.

TELEPHONE WIRES CUT.

Twelve telephone wires were found cut at Upper Kimmage road, Terenure, on Wednesday night. Wires were also cut at Dollymount.

CLOTHING STORE ROBBED.

The Tailteann Clothing Company's premises in Skipper Alley, Dublin, were entered on Wednesday night, and goods to the value of £30 were stolen.

Y.M.C.A. IN DUBLIN.

PROGRESS MAINTAINED.

At the annual meeting of the City of Dublin Y.M.C.A. held recently, the Chairman referred to the passing away of Lord Kinnaird, the late President of the National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations, whose death constituted a real loss to the Association, and a vote of sympathy was unanimously passed by the meeting.

The annual report for 1922 stated that the past year had been one of importance in the history of the Associations in Dublin. The closing week of 1922 brought the cessation of eight years' service among the troops, but all the normal activities of the Association were again in operation, and being maintained with enthusiasm. The Metropolitan Christian Union Buildings were the new headquarters of the Association in Dublin.

The re-election of the Primate of All Ireland as Patron of the Association was unanimously passed, and Sir William Fry, D.L., was re-elected President for the coming year.

The following additional Vice-Presidents were elected:—Rev. J. M. Alley, Rev. H. H. Cornish, Rev. David H. Hall, Rev. W. L. Jameson, Rev. Henry O'Connor, and Rev. J. W. Pearce.

Mr. E. J. Figgis was unanimously re-elected Honorary Secretary. Mr. Richard Hinde was unanimously elected Honorary Treasurer, vice Mr. Alfred Fannin, whose resignation was accepted with regret.

The report was adopted. The statement of the accounts and balance sheet for the year showed on receipts and expenditure account a deficit for the year of £688 16s. 11d., due to abnormal expenses in connection with salvage and demolition work at 43 Upper Sackville street, the erection of a new pavilion at Claremont Road Recreation Ground, etc. It was hoped that part of this expenditure would be recoverable in compensation.

Mr. Wm. Wright, National Y.M.C.A. Secretary for Ireland, congratulated the Association on the year's work, and referred to the difficult times being experienced by small branches in the country, and their call for prayerful and practical support.

EX-I.R.A. MEN AND PEACE.

Our Tipperary Correspondent says:—The ex-officers of the Irish Republican Army who are neutral in the present struggle are making active efforts throughout the South of Ireland, especially in Tipperary, Cork, and Limerick, to bring hostilities to an immediate conclusion. The convention of ex-officers in Dublin on Sunday next is looked forward to with keen interest.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

BELFAST BUILDING SCHEME.

A deputation from the National Federation of the Building Trade Operatives waited on the Belfast Corporation yesterday regarding various matters arising out of unemployment, with special reference to building and relief schemes.

Mr. S. Geddes, in an appeal to the Council, said that, in spite of all the talk about building schemes in the city, there were, nevertheless, 120 bricklayers walking the streets for want of work. This should not be so when there was so great a shortage of houses. At the present time there were something like 300 houses in the course of erection; but a careful survey of the situation revealed the fact that only one bricklayer was employed in the construction of ten houses. That ought not to be so. Much was said about justice to the ex-service men, but what was required now was something practical. If the 120 bricklayers he had referred to were fully employed it would afford work for many labourers.

Alderman Boyd raised a question as to a report relative to the number of bricks laid by bricklayers in Nottingham and Leicester per hour as against the number laid in Belfast, and wanted to know whether it was true that the Belfast output was lower than in the other places mentioned.

Mr. Holmes, in reply, said that the Belfast bricklayer could go to any place in the United Kingdom and obtain work. His services were so highly valued that they were retained, and their treatment was such that the men would not come back.

Subsequently, during the discussion on the Housing Committee minutes, Sir Crawford McCullough (Chairman of the Committee) said that 391 houses were built under the scheme, and were occupied by ex-service men. In addition 100 more houses were almost finished, and tenders had either been accepted or invited for 721 more houses, making a total of 1,212. Portion of the £500,000 Belfast Relief Grant would be used in connection with the building of the latter. It would be possible to let these houses at less than 13s. 6d. per week. He described as nonsense the statement that only one bricklayer was employed on ten houses.

Alderman Boyd said that 1,212 houses under the scheme would only be a "drop in the bucket" in view of the demand for new houses. He did not know how Belfast could not build houses like Nottingham at £299 each and let them at 6s. 6d. per week, plus taxes—a total of 11s.

The minutes were adopted.

NO LOCAL PAPERS.

LIMERICK PRINTERS' STRIKE.

Limerick master printers, in a statement with regard to the present strike of operatives in the printing trade, say that the latter have struck against a reduction of 5s. a week agreed to by their own Executive. This cut, it is pointed out, was made in some other Irish centres more than a month ago, but was deferred by Limerick employers as a concession. The operatives have described the dispute as a lock-out, and refer to the reduction as one of 12s. 6d. In reply, the masters say that the question of the further 7s. 6d. is to be considered in a few days by a joint conference. It is also stated that the action of the Limerick operatives is not approved by the Executive of their own union. The men refused to "set up" a statement of the employers' case for publication in the last issue of the local papers before the strike.

PERJURY CHARGE.

DUBLIN MONEYLENDER'S TWO STATEMENTS.

In the Dublin Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Lupton, K.C., Simon Fox, moneylender, of 18 Victoria street, South Circular road, was charged with committing perjury at the City Commission, held in Green street Courthouse, in December last.

Mr. O'Flaherty, solicitor, who prosecuted on behalf of the State, explained that the charge arose out of a case of robbery against a man named Lynch, who was tried and sentenced to three years' penal servitude. The theft was committed in the South Circular road, and the robbed person was a Mrs. Kirwan, a witness in the present case. In the robbery case the defendant was a witness for the defence.

Mr. Rochford, an officer at Green street Courthouse, was called to give evidence, and produced the original depositions taken in the case against Lynch, and also a card which was handed in in evidence at the trial, and on which was printed:—"S. Fox, 18 Victoria street, South Circular road, Dublin." It was dated 13th November, 1922, and on it was the entry—"Loan, £10," and the name—"Mary Kirwan, 5 Buckingham street."

The witness, in further evidence, said that accused, at the Commission, stated that he had never lent Mrs. Kirwan any money, and, in fact, had never seen her before the 22nd November. On that evening a customer of his, Mrs. Brady, called with Mrs. Kirwan to his (defendant's) house, and said that she had borrowed money from a man, whose name and address she did not mention. She then said that she had given the money to Mrs. Kirwan, that it had been stolen from her, and that both of them charged Lynch, who was in custody. To prove the charge, she told him that she wanted evidence of having borrowed the money, and they wanted him (the defendant) to give them one of his business cards, filled up and showing that on the 13th November he had loaned Mrs. Kirwan £10. To oblige Mrs. Brady, he (defendant) filled up a card and handed it to Mrs. Kirwan, but, as a matter of fact, he had not loaned her any money.

DETECTIVE'S EVIDENCE.

Detective-Sergeant McCarthy, examined, corroborated the evidence of Mr. Rochford, and further said that on November 14 he went to the residence of Mrs. Brady, 17 Upper Buckingham street, and took a statement from her. The defendant arrived while he was there, and, on seeing witness, made to leave, but witness called him back. Fox said to Mrs. Brady—"Do you want to cause me more trouble?" Mrs. Brady said—"Why did you say I was with Mrs. Kirwan at your house?" Defendant did not answer. In a statement made to witness, Mrs. Brady said that she never went to the house of Mr. Fox with Mrs. Kirwan, and that defendant was making a false statement.

Mrs. Brady gave similar evidence.

Mrs. Kirwan stated that she had borrowed £7 10s. (the sum which was stolen) from Mr. Fox in notes, and got a card acknowledging £10, and there was no one with her at the time.

Mr. E. H. Burne, solicitor, who represented the defendant, said that the defence was that his client had sworn the truth, whatever he might have said out of court or to the police to oblige a customer.

The magistrate returned the accused for trial at the City Commission, and allowed him out on his own bail in £100 and two independent bails.

NORTHERN SOLICITORS.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS WANTED.

The President of the Incorporated Law Society of Northern Ireland (Mr. Samuel G. Crymble), addressing a meeting of the members in the Central Hall, Belfast, said that the Society had now obtained all the powers they had sought. He believed that they would be able to give apprentices as good an education as the old Society had given, and that they would also be able to look quite as well after every other interest of the profession. During the past year solicitors had contributed £6,144 in licence duty, and they asked for an adequate grant to enable them to carry on their work at the public offices, and for liberal provision for their accommodation in the projected new courthouse.

A resolution was passed dealing with delay and inconvenience in connection with the registration of documents in the Central Office, Land Registry, Belfast, "stated to have been caused by the failure to appoint any staff for clerical and mapping work to that office, and by the failure of the Central Office, Dublin, to transmit the documents relating to Northern Ireland to the Central Office, Belfast, and by the failure to supply any accommodation for the staff or records of the Central Office, Northern Ireland, as well as the gross under-staffing of the local office of the Registration of Title."

A further resolution requested the Prime Minister to have established in Belfast without further delay, a Registry of Deeds for Northern Ireland.

The following are the ordinary members of Council elected:—S. G. Crymble, Joseph Allen, John B. M'Cutcheon, Sir Charles H. Brett, John McKee, Samuel Ross, George H. Wheeler, Stewart C. Ross, Martin H. Turnbull, James Wood, James Quail, J. I. Donaghy, Thomas J. Eliot, James M'Polin, William M'Ildowie, Alexander S. Merrick, J. C. M'Dowell, James C. Taylor, J. M. Hamill, Robert Bailie, John G. H. Wilson, Robert J. Dickson.

County delegates have been elected as follows:—Antrim, Mr. T. M. Greer, Senator; Armagh, Mr. F. J. Anderson; Co. Down, Mr. Robert Henderson; Fermanagh, Major Falls; Derry, Mr. E. Boyle, Limavady; Tyrone, Mr. R. H. Carson.

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WORKING AGREEMENT WITH IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN CORPORATION.

HOLDINGS IN DUNLOP PREFERENCES.

IMPORTANT STATEMENTS BY SIR A. DU CROS AND SIR ARTHUR DICKENSON.

The 26th ordinary general meeting of the Parent Tyre Company, Limited, was held yesterday at the Criterion Restaurant, Piccadilly Circus, London, W., Sir Arthur Du Cros, Bart. (the Chairman of the company) presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. E. Morrissey) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The Chairman said—I have now to move the adoption of the report and accounts, which on this occasion covers the period of sixteen months which ended on the 31st December last. The alteration of the date of the company's accounts was made in consequence of a similar alteration made by the Dunlop Rubber Company, and in order that the accounting period of this company would synchronise more conveniently with that of the company in which we hold our principal investment. The accounts are in such simple form that they tell their own story, and, so far as the balance sheet and profit and loss account are concerned, there is very little for me to say, except in reply to such questions as shareholders may desire to put to me. I might mention, however, that the item of £86,000 odd, which appears on the assets side of the balance sheet for shares sold for future delivery, has reference to the shares of an outside business which this company had the opportunity of acquiring, and which have been sold at a profit. Over half the item in question became due, and has been paid to the company.

MORE DIVERSIFIED BUSINESS.

Generally with regard to the business of the year and the prospects of the company, I am glad to be able to report that satisfactory and encouraging progress has been made with the policy of the board, previously explained to the shareholders, which has for its object the adoption of a more diversified business programme. Our desire is to make this company to a considerable extent independent of investments, which (for the time being only, we hope) have failed to produce their accustomed revenue. Foundations have been carefully laid for the acquisition of new business, and the necessary internal reorganisation has been effected. The directors, after the experience of the past year, are fully confirmed in their opinion that the company will be well advised to pursue an actice business policy, rather than wait indefinitely for the resuscitation of income, which, when it comes, will always be a welcome addition to the other earnings of the company.

Had the directors been able to take advantage of new business offered to it during the year the results would have been substantially better—quite sufficiently better to have paid all ordinary dividends to 31st December. The company was, however, compelled to forego certain profits which could have been secured on safe lines, and which, in fact, were made by other people, owing to some uncertainty which exists as to the powers of the board under the company's memorandum of association. It is the hope of the directors that, with the extension of those powers for which the board are asking to-day, the company may in future be placed in a position to take advantage of similar opportunities of business with which the company's organisation is now in a position to deal.

AGREEMENT WITH IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN CORPORATION.

The report refers to a further profit of £33,000, which was contingently earned. This sum will be represented by notes for that amount in the separate company which will be the medium by which we give effect to the modified arrangement which has been come to with the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, Ltd., which I am now about to explain. The shareholders will recall that the directors explained last year in detail the terms of the conditional agreement with the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, Ltd., and that subsequently, after full explanation and discussion, the shareholders approved of the increase of our capital which was necessary to give effect to that agreement.

Considerable delay took place in the completion of that agreement, partly caused by technical matters which I will hereafter explain, and partly for other reasons with which it is not necessary for me to trouble the shareholders, inasmuch as the result is that both parties have agreed to a modification of the original agreement.

The technical point was a legal one, and one in which the lawyers were not able to see eye to eye. The solicitors of the company were always clear that the directors had full power to enter into the agreement, but doubts were subsequently expressed as to the ability of the company to give full effect to the agreement after having entered into it, and that a close scrutiny would have to be maintained upon any new business undertaken by the company, so as to avoid the possibility of accepting responsibilities which might be held to be outside, or partly outside, the scope of the present memorandum of association of the company. The obstacle was not an insuperable one, and could have been, and can be, obviated by an altered method of procedure; but the Board does not wish to appear to be skirting round restrictions which are imposed by the company's memorandum without due authority, and, therefore, they delayed completion even of the revised agreement with the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, as to which there is no doubt that they are competent to enter until this opportunity of explaining the position to the shareholders had presented itself. That being the position, the directors are recommending that the memorandum of association of the company should be enlarged in the manner set out in the second resolution to be submitted to the extraordinary general meeting which will follow this meeting, so that the divergent legal opinions may be reconciled, the powers of the directors under the memorandum may be clearly defined, and the company placed in a position to undertake such business as recommends itself to the Board, and so reap the full benefits of the agreement.

NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT.

I have said that, had this company proceeded with the original arrangement with the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, it would have derived considerable benefits therefrom during the past year, and that, in the light of the knowledge which has been gained, the directors are still unanimously desirous of proceeding with the agreement upon lines which I will now explain. It is not now proposed that this company will acquire shares directly from the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, or that the Imperial and Foreign Corporation should acquire shares directly from this company. It is proposed that the transaction should be carried out through a separate company. Our company will subscribe for one-half of that company, and the Imperial the other half. That company will then acquire the exact number of our Deferred Shares at the stipulated price which it was originally intended should be taken by the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, and will acquire from the Imperial and Foreign Corporation at the stipulated price the exact number of Preferred and Ordinary Shares in that company which it was originally intended that we should acquire. The agreement provides that we are to receive notes for £33,000 of this company in respect of our subscription. This arrangement has been agreed to by ourselves and the Imperial, so as to adjust our respective positions consequent on our shares to be acquired by the new company having a possibility of receiving dividends earlier than the shares in the Imperial.

NEW COMPANY TO BE FORMED.

The new company will, therefore, stand possessed of 218,182 Deferred shares of this company of £1 each, and 400,000 1 per cent. Preference shares of 8s. each, and one million Ordinary shares of 1s. each of the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, Ltd. The new company will also take over the benefits of the agreement, under which the two companies agree to offer to it the right to take a 50 per cent. participation in any new business undertaken by either of them for a period of years. The shares of the new company held by this company for a period of five years are given certain safeguards, and will participate equally with the remaining shares in annual dividends up to 20 per cent. on the total capital of that company, after which the shares held by the Imperial and Foreign are entitled to 60 per cent. of the remaining profits distributed, and our shares 40 per cent. Both this provision as to dividends and the provision which gives our shares a preferential position will disappear after five years.

The effect of this modified agreement, so far as both companies are concerned, is that the responsibilities and advantages of the original agreement are reduced by one-half. The original responsibility is reduced by one-half because, through our share-holding in the new company, we retain a half interest in the assets and profits of that company. The benefits of the trading agreement are also reduced by one-half, because the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, as shareholders of the new company, will be entitled to half the benefits of that agreement. Your directors are unanimously of opinion that the modified arrangement is entirely satisfactory from our point of view, and should lead to satisfactory and profitable business being conducted in the future.

PARENT COMPANY'S INVESTMENTS.

I have received several inquiries as to the nature and position of the company's investments. These consist in the main of our holding of over 2,000,000 Preference shares in the Dunlop Rubber Company, and over three-quarters of a million of Preference shares in the D.R. Cotton Mills of the subsidiary companies of the Dunlop Rubber Company. There is also approximately an amount of £25,000 in bonds of the American Dunlop Company, which have been paid off since the closing of the accounts, and an investment of £70,000, which was made a few weeks ago in an important and prosperous British engineering undertaking. These four items comprise, within a few hundred pounds, the £2,506,328 of investments which appear on the printed balance sheet.

There are, in addition, loans made in the ordinary course of business, and which are secured and are in process of being repaid. Substantial reduction has been made in these since the closing of the accounts.

With regard to the company's investment in the D.R. Cotton Mills, the Preference shares are part of an issue which constitutes a first charge upon the net assets of these important mills owned by the Dunlop Rubber Company. They are guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the Dunlop Company, which is further under an obligation to re-purchase them for cash at the price at which they appear in our books. As to this investment, I have only to say that it appears to be quite sound in its character.

With regard to the company's investment in "C" Preference shares of the Dunlop Rubber Company, shareholders will, no doubt, have noticed that the recent balance sheet and prospectus issued by the Dunlop Company make it clear that all the Preference shares of that company are covered 20s. in the £ as to assets, and, indeed, with a very substantial margin.

It appears to be certain now that before the next annual meeting of this Company a reorganisation scheme will have been put forward by the Dunlop Rubber Company, and my colleagues are, therefore, of opinion that as the matter can now be referred to without prejudicing the interests of the Dunlop Company or our own, that there should be laid before this meeting some particulars of the present position of our large investment in that Company.

In view, however, of the dual position which I, personally, hold on the Boards of the two companies I have asked my colleagues to relieve me of the task of making any fresh statement on the affairs of the Dunlop Company, and of the further responsibility of taking part as a representative of this Company in the discussions which must necessarily take place upon any scheme of reorganisation. I prefer to adopt this attitude now, before the question of reorganisation has been submitted for the consideration of the Dunlop Board, and I notified the Board of the Dunlop Company some time ago that this course would, in my view, be the most desirable one to adopt. My colleagues on this Board have kindly assented to my wish, and have appointed a Committee of the Board, with power to adopt additional members, consisting of Sir Arthur Dickinson, Mr. J. Douglas Watson, and Mr. J. H. Guy, to act independently for the Company in this connection. Sir Arthur Dickinson is, as is known, a partner of the eminent firm of accountants, Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Company, and we have reason to be grateful to him for his willingness to act as Chairman of this Committee. Mr. J. Douglas Watson is Vice-Chairman of one of our leading British insurance corporations, and Mr. Guy, another of our directors, takes a considerable part in the increasing business and responsibilities of this Company.

Any assistance I can personally render upon the reorganisation of the Dunlop Company will be given as one of its shareholders and as a director of, and advisor to, that Company, and I shall in those capacities do everything in my power to bring about an amicable and equitable settlement. Sir Arthur Dickinson will second the resolution which I have moved for the adoption of the Report and Accounts, and he will then make a statement on behalf of the Committee.

THE DUNLOP COMPANY.

Before finally passing from the subject of the Dunlop Company, however, I wish to recall and amplify the remarks which I made at the annual general meeting of that Company, held last February, so that certain facts may be present to your minds when Sir Arthur Dickinson makes his statement. As my remarks on that occasion mainly had reference to the internal affairs of the Dunlop Company, Sir Arthur Dickinson could not, of course, be familiar with them at first hand; and as they were made before the appointment of the Committee of Investigation, which is now sitting, they may be referred to again without it appearing that I have in any way to anticipate matters upon which that Committee has to report. At that meeting I recalled that I had acted as General Manager, Managing Director, or Chairman of the Dunlop Company for over 22 years—that is, from 1896 until 1919. During that time the business showed uninterrupted progress. The profits increased year by year, dividends were regularly paid, and large reserves were created out of undistributed profits. Mr. Hely and Mr. Robert Watson, two of your present directors, were also directors of the Dunlop Company and my valued colleagues during the whole of that period.

In August, 1917, while the war was still in progress, the shareholders of this company, in general meeting, decided to sell its holding of Ordinary Shares of the Dunlop Rubber Company, which represented over 70 per cent. of all the Ordinary Shares then issued, and to reinvest the proceeds in Dunlop Preference Shares. We accordingly subscribed and paid for the Dunlop "C" Preference Shares, which still constitute our chief investment. It was agreed with the purchasers of the Ordinary Shares, who had formed themselves into the Dunlop Pool, and it was, in fact, stipulated by them, that in the best interests of the Dunlop Company its management should remain unaltered. Accordingly, existing service agreements were extended to secure this end, and some necessary new ones were entered into. The business of the Dunlop Company was carried on successfully by the old management for a year or more after that date, to the satisfaction of both the old and the new shareholders. The original Dunlop Pool did not seek or desire to control the direction or management of the Dunlop Company. By mutual agreement they had nominated three directors who were acceptable to the Board. Later on, however, in 1918 the Dunlop Pool was re-arranged under a scheme for which Mr. Szarvasy has claimed the credit, and he, through his own interest and that of his group, became an important participant in the Pool and one of its managers.

The Pool, through its solicitors, subsequently demanded full control of the direction and management of the Dunlop Company. It was put to the old Dunlop Board by the Pool representatives that, as the holders of the Preference Shares were entitled to a preferential interest in the company, nothing more and nothing less, the company must thenceforth be controlled by those who represented the overwhelming majority of its Ordinary Shares. The compulsory retirement of certain directors and the appointment of others in their places were accordingly insisted upon by the Pool solicitors, and, in the absence of an immediately favourable reply, it was intimated that an extraordinary meeting of the company would be convened for the purpose of carrying these proposals over the heads of the then directors.

We must all recognise the right of a majority to vote and exercise such control in any company as they in their discretion think fit—provided, of course, that what they do is legally in order. A minority may protest, but generally that does no good, and it is better, if possible, to avoid public disputes. It was recognised that such disputes would be harmful to the Dunlop Company, and the difficulty was ultimately solved by the retirement of myself from the offices of chairman and managing director of the Dunlop Company, the strengthening of the position of the other executive officers of the company, and the appointment of four additional directors to the Board who were nominated by the managers of the Dunlop Pool. Mr. Ormrod became chairman of the company, and Mr. Bergin sole managing director. I accepted the honorary position of president, created about a year before, and Mr. Alfred Du Cros became honorary vice-president. He and I were also appointed under agreements as advisory experts to the company.

Personally, neither I nor others sought for these changes, but we accepted them as the only means of adjusting the differences between the directors and the majority of shareholders who had put forward the demand for control.

In restating these facts, I am not seeking to attach blame or responsibility to individuals, nor do I wish it to be inferred that those who assumed control of the Dunlop Company in March, 1919, were not acting within their legal rights. But I do wish to make it perfectly clear that my own advice and experience, although always available, were not sought or utilised by the management of the Dunlop Company from February, 1919, until November, 1920. The Dunlop Company, in common with many other industrial undertakings, encountered great difficulties and incurred heavy loses, as is now well-known. Mr. Szarvasy was then put forward to me as an independent financier willing to advise. Neither I, nor as far as I know, any of the original directors had knowledge at that time of his previous association with the Dunlop Pool and its actions. A survey of the position of the company was made and an issue of Debentures was proposed.

STRONG REPRESENTATIONS TO MR. SZARVASY.

In the discussions which took place at that time—January, 1921—I felt it my duty to make strong representations to Mr. Szarvasy and the Dunlop Board, on behalf of the Preference shareholders. I pointed out that the Preference shareholders were not responsible for the failure of the new administration, they had not been allowed to participate in bonuses, and could not share in the anticipated profits from the American subsidiary for which they were then being asked to make sacrifices. I contended that they should not be expected to weaken their preferential position without some compensation, however inadequate, in the form of a slightly increased dividend and some further voting rights. This view was eventually accepted by the Dunlop Board, and agreement upon it was unanimously reached; but I need not disguise from you that my position then and since has, in consequence, been neither pleasant nor easy, and I certainly prefer to be relieved of the sole responsibility of a second discussion of a similar nature. I think it would be better, therefore, so far as this company is concerned, that others should in future conduct such negotiations strictly on their merits and quite independently of all extraneous considerations.

The Preference shareholders in February, 1921, gave their assent to the changes subsequently proposed, and their dividends and voting rights were, in consequence, increased. The changes have proved to be far-reaching, and have so far resulted to the detriment of the Preference shares. These changes were agreed to, however, in the interests of the general body of shareholders of the Dunlop Company itself, and, in my view, rightly agreed to, although it was clearly recognised at the time that the alternative of a winding up of the Dunlop Company, under which the Preference capital would have been returned intact to the holders, would have been the most cautious solution for the Preference shareholders. That would, however, have been a most drastic and selfish course to adopt, and this company refused to consider it, preferring to act in the general interests of all the shareholders of the Dunlop Rubber Company. In this, I think, that our action will prove to have been fully justified.

POSITION OF THE INVESTMENT IN DUNLOP PREFERENCES.

SIR ARTHUR DICKINSON'S STATEMENT

Sir Arthur L. Dickinson, M.A., F.C.A.—I rise to second the motion for the adoption of the report and accounts. In doing so, it is desirable, as the Chairman has said, that at this time I should lay before you, rather fully, the present position of this company's investment of over £2,000,000 in Dunlop Rubber Preference Shares, by far the largest single holding of these shares in the Dunlop Company.

This course is the more desirable, as shareholders acquired their Parent shares, relying on the steady earnings of this company accruing from its holding in Dunlop Preference Shares, the dividend on which is now over two years in arrear, while to many of these shareholders some of the facts may be unknown or unremembered.

A study of the published reports and particulars of the Dunlop Rubber Company enable me shortly to summarise its history during the past six years. At the beginning of the years 1917 and 1919 the capital of that company consisted of £1,000,000 each of "A" and "B" Preference Shares, and £1,000,000 of Ordinary Shares, of which latter class the Parent Tyre Company owned over 70 per cent.

The position of the Dunlop Company, as disclosed in its balance sheet of August, 1918, was eminently satisfactory. Over a period of 18 years, from 1900, it had increased its annual earnings from £34,000 to £649,000, had distributed substantial dividends, built up a reserve fund of £300,000, besides writing off its assets of goodwill to the amount of a further £200,000, and in the previous January had distributed, as a bonus to its shareholders, £500,000 in Ordinary Shares.

SALE OF DUNLOP SHARES.

In August, 1917, the Parent Tyre Company sold its holding of Ordinary Shares, which had been standing at a low price on the market, to a syndicate, composed of Messrs. White, Ormrod, and others, for £4 per share with a stipulation that all other holders of Ordinary Shares should be offered the same price. As a result, the syndicate acquired about 850,000 of the £1,000,000 issued Ordinary capital, and this holding was formed by them into what became known as the Dunlop pool.

No change was at this time made in the management of the company. The capital of the Dunlop Company was increased about the same time by the creation of £3,000,000 of "C" Pref. Shares, which the Parent Tyre contracted to take up as and when issued.

The progress of the Dunlop Company continued, and its profits for the year ended August 31, 1919, amounted to £1,368,000. In March, 1919, as the Chairman has told you, the management was entirely changed, but the effect of the change was not at once apparent. In January, 1920, £1,000,000 of Ordinary Shares were issued at £8 each. In September, of the same year, £3,000,000 of Ordinary Shares were issued at 30s. each, and about the same time a bonus in shares of £7,500,000 was distributed to the Ordinary shareholders out of the premiums received on the former terms. This left the reserve fund standing at £2,768,000.

Unfortunately, during this period of prosperity, when money was being obtained so easily, no effective steps were taken to raise sufficient capital for the needs of the American Dunlop Company, which was then in the process of erecting plant and establishing itself on an ambitious scale, and during the same period enormous forward contracts for rubber and cotton were entered into.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Then the financial crisis occurred, which was not confined to this country. On 2nd February, 1921, with the annual report for the year ended August 31, 1920, which showed a profit of £2,164,000, a circular was issued by the Dunlop Company, calling attention to financial difficulties arising out of heavy purchases on forward contracts and out of the difficult problem of financing the American Company. It was not plainly stated that large losses might be expected, but it appeared that Mr. Szarvasy had been called in, and appointed temporary Chairman, and the resignations of several of the directors appointed by Pool had been accepted.

When the accounts for the year ended August 31, 1921, were published, a loss of £8,300,000 was disclosed, due entirely to losses on forward contracts for raw materials, and it was stated that further losses, which have been shown since to amount to approximately £2,400,000, were expected. There was thus a net loss in two years of the new management of £8,500,000, taking into account forward contracts subsequently liquidated. Had the bonus of 7,500,000 shares, which were distributed in the autumn of 1920—just before the crisis—been allowed to remain in the reserve fund, the latter would at the time of the crash have amounted to over £10,200,000, or sufficient, with the profits of £588,000 earned in the ten months to June, 1922, to have written off the whole of the losses of £10,700,000 incurred on forward contracts. No scheme of reconstruction would then have been necessary, and the company would have weathered the storm with its capital intact.

Through the period from 1919 to 1921 the Preference shareholders had no effective voice in the management of the company. The voting powers of the Ordinary shareholders had been multiplied many times, while that of the Preference shareholders remained as before. When, in February, 1921, new finance became necessary to save the company the Prefernce shareholders were remembered, and appealed to. They responded by increasing the borrowing powers to the extent of an extra £3,500,000 Debentures, making a total of £6,500,000, ranking in front of their security, and by extending the company's powers of guarantee. The Preference Shares received in return for these important concessions an increase in the rate of dividend of ½ per cent. in the case of the "A" and "B" Shares, and 1 per cent. in the case of the "C" Shares, a contingent interest in profits after the Ordinary Shares had recived in any year a dividend of 10 per cent., the privilege of class meetings on any question affecting their rights, and an increase in voting power. Class meetings and the additional voting power, especially now that dividends are in arrear, are of value; but the increase in the rate of interest and the contingent dividend have not yet materialised. The contingent dividend may be of importance, in view of the high expectations of the future of the American Company, which have been expressed in responsible quarters, but so far no real compensation has been received by the Preference shareholders for the charges placed in front of them, and the consequent loss in value. Notwithstanding that the Preference shareholders had had no share in the bonuses of the preceding years, they made the concession in 1921 which subsequently saved the Dunlop Company from liquidation.

From the later reports of the company it appears that the business so strongly founded is once more attaining to a satisfactory and progressive position. The recent settlement of the American difficulty clears the decks for the consideration of a policy of reorganisation. Upon reorganisation depends the dividends of all the shareholdrs, Preference and Ordinary alike.

AMOUNT DUE TO PARENT COMPANY.

The arrears of Preference dividends amount to £751,250 up to December 31, 1922, and of this amount £322,032 is due to our company. The longer reorganisation of that company is delayed, the greater this cumulative debt upon the Dunlop Company will become. It is a debt which can only be paid out of profits, and out of profits which must be earned after the date of reorganisation. There can, I think, hardly be room for two opinions that the sooner reorganisation is carried through the better, and impartial and fair-minded consideration should be given to all the facts. In this connection, it will not be out of place to quote from the speech of Mr. Szarvasy, Chairman of the meeting of the Dunlop Rubber Company held on 11th February, 1921, where, in discussing the resolutions proposed to give effect to the agreement come to with the Preference shareholders, he spoke as follows:—"I do not want to argue for a moment that the Preference shareholders are not rightly entitled to consideration, seeing that, however large profits the company may make in future, they will not in the ordinary circumstances benefit thereby, as it will all go to the Ordinary shareholders. On the other hand, if the prior charges and guarantees are put in front of the Preference shares, as it is suggested, then in the case of the non-success they would undoubtedly suffer. I think, therefore, that the consideration proposed to be given to the Preference shareholders, both as regards an increase in their fixed dividends and a certain safeguard in voting power, is fully justified and, in the circumstances, both fair and equitable."

The wish and intention of the Board of this company is, within reasonable limits, to work for a reorganisation on lines fair to all classes of shareholders, and the Committee of your Board, which has already been appointed for the purpose of dealing with the matter when it arises, will proceed on these lines.

Should other Preference shareholders of the Dunlop Rubber Company, from some of whom we have received communications, desire to act in co-operation with, or express their views to, this Committee, the Committee would be very willing to hear from them, and, if asked to do so, would be prepared to act in this matter in the general interest of all such Dunlop Preference shareholders.

Shareholders who desire to communicate with the Committee should address their communications to me at 9 Park place, St. James's street, London, S.W. 1.

The Chairman having replied to questions, the report and accounts were adopted.

The retiring directors, Mr. Robert Watson, Sir Arthur Lowes Dickinson, M.A., F.C.A.; Mr. John H. Guy, and Mr. J. Douglas Watson; and the auditors, Messrs. Maurice Jenks, Percival and Company, were re-elected.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the company, which followed, resolutions adopting new Articles of Association, and a modification of the Memorandum of Association of the company were approved, with one dissentient.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman and directors concluded the proceedings.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Barometer—29.70. Wind and Weather—Strong westerly wind, dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrival—Trito, of Rotterdam (373 tons), from Rotterdam, via Belfast, with a general cargo consigned to order; discharging at Shelter Sheds, North Wall Extension.

Coastwise Arrivals—Slieve Gallion, Slieve Bawn, from Holyhead, with goods; Lady Cloe, from London, with goods; Cato, from Bristol, with goods; Lady Carlow, Bandon, from Liverpool, with goods; Olive, from Heysham, with goods; Tiger, from Glasgow, with goods; Priscilla, from Fleetwood, with salt; Saltom, Pickmere, Samoa, from Preston, with coals; Oak, from Newport, with coals; St. Mirren, from Ayr, with coals; Redesmere, from Point of Aire, with coals; Slieve Donard, from Holyhead, light; Lady Kildare, from Liverpool, light.

Foreign Departure—British Officer, of London (4,083 tons), for Abadan, light.

Coastwise Departures—Slieve Gallion, Slieve Bawn, for Holyhead, with goods; Lady Killiney, Bandon, for Liverpool, with goods; Eblana, Lady Meath, for Manchester, with goods; Yarrow, for Silloth, with goods; Olive, for Heysham, with goods; Tiger, for Glasgow, with goods; Lady Kildare, for Preston, with live stock, etc.; Slieve Donard, for Holyhead, with live stock; Aspen, for Runcorn, with old rails; Ita, for Liverpool, light; Rossmore, for Trevor, light; Mondara, Loch Leven, for Garston, light; Briarfield, for Ormeshead, light; Dinorwic, for Maryport, light; St. Fintan, for Birkenhead, light; Adam Smith, for Portaferry, light; Sapphire, for Duddon, light.

LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ANTONIA, for London; ORBITA, for Southampton, and PRESIDENT POLK, for London, left New York 31st.

APPAM, for Plymouth; MATINA, for Garston, and BENGUELA, for Land's End, left Teneriffe 29th.

BALZAC, from Buenos Ayres, arrived Gravesend 31st.

BALLENA, from Valparaiso, arrived Hull 1st.

BENALLA, from London, arrived Table Bay 31st.

BOLIVIAN, from Philadelphia, and SANDGATE CASTLE, from Mauritius, arrived Mersey 1st.

BOLIVIAN, from Boston, arrived Manchester 1st.

BRAEMAR CASTLE, for Southampton, left Port Said 31st.

CANDIDATE, for Immingham, left San Francisco 31.

CARNARVONSHIRE, Vladivostock for London, left Colombo 1st.

CASTALIA, Bombay for Clyde, arrived Gibraltar 1st.

CASTALIA, Bombay for Liverpool, left Gibraltar 1st.

CERAMIC, for Southampton, left Table Bay 30th.

CHIRRIPO, for Garston, left Tela 26th.

CORONADO, for Kingston, left Avonmouth 29th.

DONGOLA, London for Yokohama, left Suez 31st.

DRAMATIST, from Liverpool, arrived Los Angeles 31st.

DIRECTOR, for England, left Mauritius 31st.

DUNBRIDGE, for London, left St. John 31st.

EL PARAGUAYO, for London, left Buenos Ayres 31.

GALILEO, New York for Hull, arrived Halifax.

HUNTSMAN, from Galveston, arrived the Mersey 1st.

HIGHLAND STAR, for Monte Video; BARADINE, for Sydney, and NANKIN, for Yokohama, left Gravesend 1st.

MANZANARES, for Avonmouth, left Santa Marta 27.

MANDALAY, Port Pirie for England, arrived Adelaide 29th.

MARCONI, for London, left Las Palmas 29th.

MIAMI, for Jamaica, left Garston 30th.

MACEDONIA, Sydney for London, arr. Melbourne 1st.

NARKUNDA, London for Sydney, left Port Said 31st.

NASMYTH, from Liverpool, arrived Bahia 31st.

NELLORE, Yokohama for London, and CITY OF YORK, Yokohama for London, arr. Shanghai 31.

NEWTON, for London, left Monte Video 31st.

ORATOR, for Liverpool, left Pernambuco 30th.

ORDUNA, Hamburg for New York, arrived Southampton 1st.

OROPESA, for Liverpool, left Havana [illegible]th.

OSTERLEY, Brisbane for London, left Toulon 31st.

ORSOVA, for London, and SOPHOCLES, for London, both left Brisbane 31st.

PORT DENISON, from Auckland, arr. Gravesend 31st.

SOMME, for England, left Victoria (Brazil) 31st.

STATESMAN, for Liverpool, left San Diego 31st.

THEMISTOCLES, London for Brisbane, arrived and left Plymouth 1st.

VERBANIA, from London, arrived New York 31st.

VELLAVIA, from London, arrived Portland 31st.

WARWICKSHIRE, London for Rangoon, left Colombo 31st.

Cunard Line.

ANTONIA left New York at noon on Wednesday for Plymouth, Cherbourg, and Hamburg, via Halifax.

BERENGARIA, for Southampton, 397 miles east New York at noon on Wednesday.

MAURETANIA, from Southampton, 1,111 miles east New York at noon on Wednesday.

SAXONIA left Hamburg at 2 p.m. on Wednesday for Southampton.

LONDON COUNTY WESTMINSTER AND PARR'S BANK LIMITED.

STABILISATION.

TRADE AND BURDEN OF TAXATION.

CHANGING THE BANK'S NAME.

ULSTER BANK'S YEAR.

The annual ordinary general meeting of the London County Westminster and Parr's Bank Limited was held at the head office, 41 Lothbury, London, E.C. 2, yesterday.

Mr. Walter Leaf (Chairman), who presided, said the world had still been suffering from the throes of unrest and from the deferment of that peace for which they had long been yearning, and at the moment it was hard to see much hope, on the Continent at least, of any better times. But in England they had been endeavouring to do their duty, and not without some measure of success from the banker's point of view. If they sought for a single word which might describe the past year, they might, perhaps, say that 1922 had been for this country a year of stabilisation. Fiscally, they had been engaged in stabilising the £. This had been effected by just balancing the Budget, and leaving nothing over for the payment of debt. How this had worked out in practice was strikingly shown in figures which had been put before him on the highest authority. It appeared from these that the capital repayments during the past year, mainly, of course, in War Bonds falling due, had amounted to £99.7 millions, while the issue of Treasury Bonds during the same period had been £99.5 millions. It would hardly be possible to contrive a closer approximation, a better example of exact stabilisation. They had thus avoided adding to the suffering involved in deflation, and, on the other hand, they had escaped the far greater evils which accompany inflation, ills of which Germany is at present giving us a terrible example. The result of this policy was that prices had during 1922 been remarkably steady—in other words, the purchasing power of the £ had been stabilised. And at the same time they had seen the $ decreasing in purchasing power in the United States; and the outcome was that the £ and $ had come close together, and to all appearances it would not be long before they met at the gold parity.

BALANCE OF TRADE.

This approach of the £ to the par of exchange meant in the last resort that our excess of imports over exports must have been more than balanced by invisible exports, and that they must have had during the year a favourable balance of at least the amount, £25 millions, which they had provided towards the repayment of our debt to the United States. The efforts which had been made on the part of masters and men alike to reduce the cost of production were already bearing fruit, and through reduced prices they were on the way to recover the position which they held in international trade before the war.

BURDEN OF TAXATION.

Of course, they felt the burden of taxation which honesty involves; they felt it very acutely, and it can be no cause for wonder if complaints are loud at times and the outcry for relief becomes urgent. So far as the cry takes the form of an insistence on reduced expenditure, the one means by which taxation can be legitimately reduced, it must have all their sympathy. One wishes one could feel more confidence that this reduction is being pursued and enforced with all the rigour which it requires. To that end they should strain all their energies. But when one sees suggestions that we should not attempt to pay our way, that we should accept a deficit in the Budget and borrow the money in order to relieve the burden of the moment by throwing it vaguely somewhere on the future, then it is time to raise the voice of protest. That is the start on the fatal slope of inflation. Germany showed the end towards which it leads. It meant a reduction of taxation by the most cruel and unjust form of capital levy, a levy the chief weight of which will fall on savings, irrespective of the capacity of the owner to bear the burden, a levy which will be as heavy on the owner of a single War Savings Certificate as on the proprietor of a million pounds' worth of stock, while it would spare entirely the gambler in oils or rubber or gold. That was a capital levy which no one can possibly defend except the industrial interests which look to profit by it.

INFLATION NO REMEDY.

Naturally there was everywhere a tendency to shift the burden on to one's neighbour, if it could possibly be done. In Russia the whole burden had been thrown on the well-to-do, who had been exterminated, with the result that the proletariat had been reduced to starvation and some two or three millions had died of famine. In Germany, by the device of inflation, the burden had been thrown upon the middle classes and the thrifty, who had seen their savings taken from them and handed over to industrial "profiteers," who had passed on to their workmen just a living wage. Unemployment had been avoided for a time out of the pockets of the steady-going citizens, but a larger sum by far had been passed on to men of the class of Herr Stinnes, and, one was inclined to believe, removed for investment outside Germany. Inflation in Germany had proved an extraordinarily wasteful and ill-applied dole for unemployment. Here at home they had at least avoided any camouflage in the matter.

THE CONTINENTAL OUTLOOK.

But the immediate problem of unemployment depends on the prospect of such an early improvement in trade and industry as will afford the natural, and, therefore, most efficient, remedy for the present troubles. It must be confessed that the Continental outlook at least was not encouraging. The recent action of France on the Ruhr could only be viewed with the gravest anxiety, the more so as it serves to complete the economic collapse which Germany had already been, to all appearances, rapidly approaching. It was clearly impossible to hope for any great revival of trade from any of their old customers in Central Europe, whose recovery was entirely bound up with that of Germany; and they must draw what little consolation they could from the fact that so important an industrial rival as Germany had practically withdrawn from competition, except for certain classes of goods where she holds a monopoly—notably dye-stuffs. Looking further East, it was clear that Russia, in an almost moribund condition, was making tentative advances towards a revival of the capitalist system, which has been so ruthlessly annihilated; but no recovery for English trade can be looked for in that quarter, so long as no confidence whatever could be placed in the good faith of the governing class.

PROSPECTS OF REVIVAL.

But, in spite of all this, there were definite signs of a strong trade revival, which was already doing something to diminish unemployment, and seemed likely before long to do a great deal more. They would have seen the encouraging reports of recovery in the papers, and these were fully confirmed by the returns which we receive from our our managers in the different industrial centres. The coal trade was very active, and exports were growing. It was noteworthy that the United States and Canada were taking our coal, and offer markets which are largely new, and will, it was confidently hoped, be permanent. At the same time, it must be noted with regret that the profits are poor, and that the miners in many districts obtain their minimum wage only by heavy drafts upon the share of the surplus which is recognised as duly belonging to the owners. In the textile industries, though cotton was depressed, wool was doing well, and the hosiery trade has fully maintained the activity which was observable twelve months ago. And, generally speaking, there was a tone of confidence for the future from many quarters.

THE ULSTER BANK.

The Ulster Bank had its share of trouble as well as their foreign bank. A year ago he spoke of the boycott from which it was then suffering. This continued for some months; and was enforced by numerous armed raids upon branches outside Ulster, which made demands upon the courage and resource of the managers—demands to which he was proud to think they showed themselves splendidly equal. One of them, who had repelled an armed raid already was marked out for vengeance, and shot dead in a second raid while heroically defending the bank's property. But they might hope that this particular form of atrocity was coming to an end. The boycott, which was, of course, not the work of the Free State Government, had ceased, and armed raids on branches were growing rarer. That there had been a real improvement, in the opinion of those whose business it was to inquire, was clear, from the fact that the bank had been able to renew the policy of insurance against this form of loss at half the premium which was paid 12 months ago. In all other respects the business of the bank had been well maintained, and the balance sheet and profit and loss accounts showed little trace of the troubles. Though the linen trade in Belfast still remained depressed there was no reason to anticipate any further losses beyond those for which ample provision had been made. And generally speaking, the business of the bank was going on prosperously to an extent, which was surprising in view of the deplorable conditions which prevailed over large parts of that unfortunate country.

THE BANK'S BALANCE SHEET.

Turning to the accounts, they would notice a considerable shrinking on both sides of the balance sheet. Like all other banks, they showed a diminution in the amounts lodged. This they did not regard as evidence of continuing deflation, though it was a result of deflation in the past. The fact that prices had remained steady, with a slight tendency to rise, was in itself proof that there had been no deflation during the past year. It was evidence rather of stagnation of trade and the low rate of interest for short money, which has induced their customers to invest in the many tempting Government offers of securities the cash which was held with them on deposit. There had been no paying off of Government debts, which would be deflation, but simply a rearrangement of dates for repayment, which was a form of stabilisation.

The falling off in money lodged was almost exactly reflected in the decrease in the holding of Treasury bills, which had run down from the £77 millions of which he spoke a year ago to about £45 millions in the present balance sheet, and this again was a reflection of the decrease in the total aggregate of Treasury bills from about £1,064 millions to £709 millions during the year. The amount of commercial bills under discount was practically identical with that of a year ago, about £24 millions.

When they looked at the profit and loss account they would see that the total profit showed a shrinkage. This again was an experience they shared with their competitors; but on the whole they would feel that the results were not unsatisfactory. They have not been attained without a great deal of anxiety and hard work. The year had, for pure banking profits, been a rather lean one; but on the other hand the appreciation in the value of investments had made up behind the scenes for a good deal that they had missed in other ways.

With a general management such as they had, backed by the hearty devotion of a loyal and capable staff, they were prepared to approach with confidence the anxieties and the successes which the future may have in store. (Applause.)

The report and accounts were passed.

CHANGING THE BANK'S NAME.

An extraordinary general meeting was then held to consider a resolution changing the name of the bank to the "Westminster Bank Limited."

Mr. Walter Leaf again presided, and, in moving the resolution, said—Ladies and gentlemen, the desirability of shortening the name of the bank is a question on which I can hardly imagine that there will be any serious difference of opinion. (Hear, hear.) It is a matter which has been constantly pressed upon us by our customers and our shareholders alike, and there is not one of us who has not, whether in his individual or his official capacity, felt the inconvenience of a title which, whatever its merits as a historical document, is, beyond all question, cumbrous in daily use. The Board have long had before them the advisability of bringing forward such a resolution as that which is now before you.

But we have been delayed by hesitation as to the form which the new name should take. We have had many conflicting interests and sentiments to consider and reconcile, and the sentiments have been, perhaps, even more difficult to deal with than the practical interests. We have had under discussion, from time to time, I do not know how many possible alternatives, each with much to be said for it. There is, in fact, a part of our name to which a certain amount of good-will does not attach, and there is not a word in our long name which we can surrender without a certain amount of regret. It is only because we strongly feel that the advantage of shortness outweighs the value of any part which we give up we have put this resolution before you.

The same hesitation between various alternatives exists among our shareholders, as we know from the letters we have been receiving during the last few days. Though all express approval of the shortening, some have preference of their own as to the way in which it should be done. One correspondent suggests we might do it by omitting the word "Limited." (Laughter.) That suggestion is, I think, original as well as illegal, and has not been before us; but, with that single exception, I can say that every alternative form put before us by our correspondents has received sympathetic consideration by the Board; several of them have had warm supporters among us. But we have come to the conclusion that the need for the abbreviation is such that we must all sink our individual preferences. The only name on which we were last able to combine was the word "Westminster," which has received the unanimous support of the general managers, and is now put before you by the Board as a whole. I ask you now to do what the directors have done and to sink any differences of opinion you may have in the interests of the bank as a whole. To pass any amendment of the name would be simply to throw the whole question into the melting pot again and to delay the change which, after the maturest consideration, the directors hold to be for the good of the bank.

Let me add that the change will not involve any alteration of the familiar names by which we are known in various districts. In Somerset we are still "Stuckeys," in Derbyshire we are still "Cromptons," in Yorkshire we are "Becketts," and so we shall be content, and even anxious, to remain in some parlance the "County" round London and "Parr's" in Lancashire. In the City of London and in the various Dominions of the Empire, our close connection with which we prize so highly, we shall still be what we have always been—the old "Westminster."

Mr. John Rae (Chief General Manager) seconded the resolution.

After a brief discussion, the resolution was approved.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The meeting of the Athenry and Tuam Extension to Claremorris Railway Company will be held at the offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on Thursday, 22nd February, at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of transacting the business of the company.

The meeting of the West Clare Railway Company will be held at the offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on Thursday, 22nd February, at 11.30, for the purpose of transacting the general business of the company. The transfer books will be closed from 8th February to 8th March, both days inclusive.

The meeting of the South Clare Railways Company will be held at the offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on Thursday, 22nd February, at 11.30, for the purpose of transacting the general business of the company. The transfer books of the company will be closed from the 8th February to 8th March, both days inclusive.

That sterling strengthened in terms of American dollars clearly demonstrates the satisfaction felt at the Cabinet's decision to accept the terms of the American debt. Not that the terms are considered exactly just, but rather because the removal of this bugbear is calculated to clarify the general position. Now that we know how we stand in relation to this very important matter, it must, and will, be dealt with effectively. Faced with realities, which are better to deal with than phantoms, it is up to the nation to work out its economic salvation. It is the first concrete example of the financial *débris* of the war being tackled as a business proposition, and the sooner it is followed by Europe in general, the better for mankind as a whole. The criticism that the matter is so formidable because of the laxity of the Government in securing the money on terms *carte blanche* to the Americans, is not constructive; when the money was needed the need was too urgent to haggle over terms.

If the political situation on the Continent had been clearer there can be no doubt that the profound relief felt by the financial world at the settlement of the American debt question would have been translated in a boomlet on the London Stock Exchange. It is not that the terms and conditions of the proposed agreement are regarded as altogether satisfactory; on the contrary, it is felt that the United States should have approached the debt question with broadmindedness, paying due regard to Europe as a whole, and less concentration on the ability of Great Britain to pay what she individually made herself responsible for in the exceptional stress of war. In reality, it is considered politic to make the best of a bad bargain, and, knowing how the country stands, work out the economic salvation, and prove an example for the rest of the world to follow in order to get straight.

Mr. J. E. McCulloch, of the London County, Westminster, and Parrs Bank, has accepted the invitation to undertake the duties of British Administrative Commissioner and acting representative of Great Britain on the National Council of the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris. The British members of the Council are:—Sir Albert J. Hobson, J.P., Vice-President; Mr. Walter Leaf, Chairman of the London County, Westminster and Parrs Bank, Ltd., and Sir Felix Schuster, of Messrs. Schuster, Sons, and Co., and director of the National Provincial and Union Bank of England.

INDUSTRIALS FIRMER.

PRICE MOVEMENT UNIMPORTANT.

As the result of the settlement of the American debt question, Miscellaneous and Industrial markets opened with a display of firmness, but owing to absence of support the better sentiment was not reflected to any great extent in price movements, the fact that the present account is nearly at an end exercising a restrictive influence upon business. One or two features developed. Courtaulds, for instance, met with a good deal of option buying, and closed much better on balance. Cellulose issues kept steady. Among miscellaneous trading concerns, Waring and Gillow Prefs. were noticeably weak, owing to disappointment at the absence of any arrears of dividend. African and Easterns finished a better market, but Smithfield and Argentine Meats slipped back. Business in Iron and Steels was on a small scale, and no decided tendency was displayed. Shipping issues showed very few alterations. Electric Lighting descriptions exhibited strength, Westminsters, Chelseas, and South Londons, all showing to advantage. Bank shares continued dull, but Insurances kept firm. Tobaccos were a better market, both B.A.T.'s and Imperials closing higher.

Dunlops showed no change at 9s. 7½d. Maypole Def. gained the turn at 7s. 1½d. Marconis held their ground at 2⅝ among Wireless concerns. The Prefs gained 1/16 at 2 1/16, and Canadians put on 4½d. to 11s. 7½d. The Debs. remained at 107, and Marines at 1¼.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

JOHNSTON, MOONEY, AND O'BRIEN.—The report of the directors, to be presented at the meeting at Trinity Chambers, 40-41 Dame street, Dublin, on Monday, 5th February, at 2.30, is as follows:—The profits for the year including interest on investments and transfer fees, and after payment of current expenses and directors' and auditors' fees, and all other charges, and after providing for bad and doubtful debts, amount to £7,657 5/4, which, with £12,037 17/6 brought forward from last account, makes a total of £19,695 2/10 to be disposed of. Out of this the following sums have been applied:—To Debenture interest for the year ending 31st December, 1922, £1,000; to interim dividend on Preference Shares for the half-year ending 30th June, 1922, at 6 per cent. per annum, £1,500; to interim dividend on Ordinary Shares for the half-year ending 30th June, 1922, at 5 per cent. per annum, £2,500. This leaves a net balance available for allocation of £14,695 2/10, which the directors recommend should be disposed of as follows:—To dividend on Preference Shares at 6 per cent. per annum for half-year to 31st December, 1922, £1,500; to dividend on Ordinary Shares at 5 per cent. per annum for half-year to 31st December, 1922, £2,500; to carry forward to next account, £10,695 2/10. The directors greatly regret to record the death of their colleague, Mr. William O'Brien, who was one of the original directors, and had occupied a seat on the Board since the inception of the company in the year 1889. In the course of the year Mr. Edgar Anderson was co-opted as a member of the Board. The directors retiring are Mr. F. W. Pim and Mr. Edgar Anderson, who are eligible, and offer themselves for re-election. The auditors, Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Co., also retire, and offer themselves for re-election. The dividend warrants will be issued on the 6th February, 1923.

SMYTH AND CO., LIMITED.—10 per cent. on Ord. Shares for year ended 31st December last, £1,000 to reserve and £1,988 forward.

BANK OF N.S. WALES.—Interim quarterly dividend of 10 per cent. per annum.

HOLLINS MILL.—Further dividend of 5 per cent., actual on Ord.

HONG KONG TRAMWAY CO.—Final dividend of 2/- per share.

ADELAIDE ELECTRIC SUPPLY.—Final dividend of 6 per cent. on Ord. Shares.

EAST END DWELLINGS.—Dividend of 5 per cent. for the year on Ord. Shares.

ILKLEY BREWERY AND AERATED WATER.—Dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum.

HOLBORN AND FRASCATI.—Balance dividend on Ord. Shares at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, plus a bonus of 3 per cent.

WARING AND GILLOW.—Dividend on Pref. Shares at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, less tax.

GREAT CENTRAL.—Payment at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum for the year on the company's 5 per cent. Pref. Stock, 1894, carrying forward a balance of about £13,000.

STRATFORD AND MIDLAND JUNCTION RAILWAY.—Dividend of 10/- per cent. on Ord. Stock for the year. The dividend for the previous year was 20/- per cent.

METROPOLITAN RAILWAY.—Dividend is at the rate of 4½ per cent., making with the interim dividend 3½ per cent. for the year. Last year it was 2½ per cent., and for the previous year 1½ per cent.

LIEBIG'S EXTRACT OF MEAT COMPANY.—Dividend of 6/3 per share, free of tax, on the 240,000 Ord. Shares in respect of the period ended 31st August, 1922. This dividend corresponds to a dividend at the rate of 15/- per share, free of tax, for a full year.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, February 2, 1923.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.—CHANCERY DIVISION.—Before the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland in King's Bench Court 3, King's Inns, Henrietta street, at 2.30. In Lunacy—15th Section, adj. applic. O'Doherty. Motions—52nd Section, G.S.; 52nd Section, Thompson; 15th Section, Beauchamp and Orr. Petition—12th Section, Toomey. In Chamber—Application, M. E. Knight. At Upper Yard, Dublin Castle. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar at 11.30—Adj. settle report, Merrick.

ROLLS COURT.—Wednesday, 7th Feb.—Adjourned into Court—Companies Acts and S. Holmes, Ltd. This day:—Rolls Chambers at 11—Walsh v. Byrne; Kissane v. Foran; R. M'Cleane, decd., Magian v. M'Clean; P. Butler, decd., Lynch v. Butler; J. O'Connell, decd., M'Cabe v. O'Connell; M. M'Donald, decd., Heffernan v. M'Donald; M'Dermott v. Attorney-General.

MR. JUSTICE POWELL'S COURT.—At 11.30 Action—Fay v. Hueston. Actions fixed for hearing: Wednesday, 7th—Guilfoyle v. Kilkenny Woollen Mills. Friday, 9th—M'Loughlin v. M'Anuff. This day: Before the Chief Clerk—Companies Acts and Warren sign cert.; Kealy v. Kealy, do.; Burton v. Phibbs; Lindsay v. Clarke; Mecredy v. Goolden; Campbell v. Campbell; Wallace v. Blood. Before Dr. Webb—Lyons v. Hughes, vouch account.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—At Jury's Hotel (first floor). Master Kilbride at 11—Hare's estate, N. Taylor; Owens and Settled Land Acts, Cussen and Kieran; Long and Co. and Companies Acts, Bowles and French. Master Denning at 11—Exparte Taxations. Borrisokane R.D.C. to O'Brien, J. O'Brien; Ashenhurst v. Pearse, H. J. M'Cormick; Fetherston v. Fetherstonhaugh, Collis and Ward; same v. same, Lett and Fetherstonhaugh; Fetherstonhaugh v. Fetherston, Collis and Ward; same v. same, Lett and Fetherstonhaugh; same v. same, T. T. Mecredy and Son; Trotter v. Wallace, Brown and M'Cann. Master Macnamara at 11—A person of unsound mind, G.S., French and French; Tiernan v. Hunter, Maxwell, Weldon and Co.; Walsh to Dixon, J. H. Dixon; Walsh v. Branagan, Smyth and Son; Macrory's estate, Whitney, Moore and Keller.

LAND JUDGES.—At 23 Upper Merrion street. Before Mr. Justice Wylie (at the conclusion of the Land Commission list). Chamber—A. F. Walker and others, S.S. 38, allocate; Louis E. Macrory, S.S. 29, do. Receiver Cases—O'Neill v. Donohoe, re-entry; Rearden v. O'Flanagan. Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11—Ardilaun estate (Ashe's rent); Irene Swanzy.

KING'S BENCH DIVISION.—At King's Inns, Henrietta street. In the Rolls Court at 11. Crown Side—Exparte Motions. Civil side—Exparte Motions. Summonses—Marmion and others v. Browne; Keough v. de Vere; M'Carthy v. same. Attendance Motions—Keough v. de Vere; M'Carthy v. same. On Notice—M'Keough v. Kirk; Benn v. Talbot; Elberry v. Rowe; Stadelmann and Co. v. Cloherty and another. At 11.30—Gannon v. Callan.

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL.—At King's Inns, Henrietta street. Before Mr. Justice Dodd in King's Bench, No. 1 at 11. Probate. Exparte Motions—In the goods of John M'Donnell, decd.; do. Owen M'Mahon, do.; do. Ellen Halpin, do.; Benson v. Murtagh, sub poena—M'Neany v. Maguire; O'Beirne v. Farrell; Hurley v. Hurley; Kelly v. Leonard. Motions on Notice—In the goods of George Morley, decd.; Waters v. Waters. Matrimonial. Summons—Gavin v. Tynan.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, in King's Bench No. 2, at 11—Arrangts.—W. McA. McCracken, E. F. Collins, Cussen and Kieran; J. O'Connor and Co., E. F. Collins, Horan and Devine; MacDevette, 1st public sittg., Porter, Morris and Co.; Adamson, 1st do., Hunter and Burland; Dagg, 1st do., do.; arrangt. motion, Scallan and Co., do., do., Findlater and Co.; Molloy, exam. witnesses, Brady and Dawson; Simpson, do., W. V. Seddall; Furey, do., G. Rutherford; do., ac. comp., do.; arrangt., do., P. M. Seales, do., do., J. J. Early; Mackey application for cert., J. Mackey. Before the Chief Registrar, at 12—Arrangt., pr. dts., Thompson and Edwards; do., ac. comp., do.; Leahy, pr. dts., F. Cusskerry; Cargill, do., Thompson and Edwards; Moore, pr. dts. and vch., do.; Hope, pr. dts., W. Devoy.

TRIALS BY JURY.—Before the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland.—In King's Bench Court No. 2 (At the conclusion of Bankruptcy List).—Non-Juries—Wilson v. Dalton (goods sold); Jackson's Leather Co. v. Sarsfield and a counterclaim (goods sold). Before Mr. Justice Samuels, in the Rolls Court, at 11.30—Non-Juries—Gannon v. Callan (detinue), part heard. The Sworn and Unsworn City Special Jurors and the City Common Jurors need not attend until Monday next. For Monday.—City Special—Lloyd's Bank v. Fleming and ors. (bill of exchange), to be resumed; the Mutual Thrift Society v. Fleming and ors. (bill of exchange). To be Mentioned—Branagh v. Smythe; Monks v. Thorn. City Common—Tomkins v. Kinsella (work done). Non-Juries—Sandys and anor. v. O'Reilly (medical fees). To be Mentioned (For a day to be fixed).—City Special—Dorr and anor. v. Newman (negligence). Fortune and anor. v. Crosbie (probate); Fitzgerald v. Dublin and Lucan Electric Rly. Co. (personal injuries). For Friday, 9th February.—Non-Juries—Brennan v. Brennan (trespass); Baird v. Moore (ejectment); Smallman v. Fogarty and a counterclaim (goods sold); Phillips v. Phillips and anor. (probate).

LAND COMMISSION COURT.—23 Upper Merrion street. Land Purchase Acts.—Before Mr. Justice Wylie, at 11.—Exparte Applications.—In Chamber—Right Hon. R. T. O'Neill, contd., allocate; Edward H Woods, do.; Earl of Shannon, do.; George Keogh, contd., do.; Walter J. Nugent, contd., do.; Wm. Chambre, do.; Wm. C. V. Burton, contd. (F.S. 6631), do.; Wm. C. V. Burton, contd. (F.S. 3346), do.; Francis B. Gwen-Cole, contd., do.; John H. Whitcroft, contd., do.; H. H. Mitchell and ors., do.; M. M. M'Causland, do.; Rev. Sir George R. Fetherston, do.; Rev. R. W. Browne, do.; Rev. John Errington, do. In Court—Olivia M. Taaffe, contd., F.S. John R. Raphael and ors., do.; Earl of Antrim, do.; Louis C. Salkeld, contd. (E.C. 6231), do.; Frederick Greer, contd. (costs); John McGloin, motion; James Dunlop and anor., contd., do.; Chas. A. Stanland and anor., do. Cases in which Closing Day has Passed—Louis C. Salkeld, contd. (E.C. 6524), F.S.; James A. Porter (senior), do. Examiners' Chambers.—Before Mr. Dick, K.C., at 11—J. McC. Cheney (E.C. 7871), disch. rulings and settle sch. Before Mr. Jeffrey White, at 11—C. G. Orme (E.C. 7853), disch. rulings. At 3—Elizabeth Tyler Stuart and anor. (E.C. 326), settle sch. At 3.30—W. Reeves and ors. (E.C. 8075), disch. rulings. Before Mr. Wilson, at 3—Edmond Mooney and anor. (E.C. 9473), disch. rulings. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11—J. H. Shaw (E.C. 6754), disch. rulings. At 3—M. P. Summers, settle sch.

BEFORE THE RECORDER, at 11.—Ejectments—Murray v. Tuthill; Malone v. Nevin; Keane v. Gibney; Coulter v. Diskin; Keogh v. Smullen; Fogarty v. Talbot; Harrison v. Murphy; Cullen v. Deering; Butler v. McKeever; Doyle v. Doyle; Behan v. Mahoney; Pilson v. Reids; Little v. Warren; Stringer v. Ferns; Dublin Artisans' Dwgs. Co. v. Leechan; same v. Traynor; Magrath and ors. v. Manning; Moore v. Donohoe; O'Connor v. Hill; same v. Burgess; same v. Hill; same v. Atkins; same v. Millen; Byrne v. Donnelly; O'Connor v. McMullen; same v. Henry; same v. Hand; O'Reilly v. Coyne; Davis v. Hanlon; Barton v. Owens; Meehan v. Jago.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS STRONG. RAILS GENERALLY MORE SETTLED. TOBACCOS AND MARCONIS HIGHER. SHARP DECLINES IN INDUSTRIALS.

The British Government having accepted the United States offer to fund the British war debt was a source of special satisfaction in financial interests, and prices of representative securities instantly became firmer, with gains in leading Home Funds. Banking securities were mostly quiet and dull. Breweries were quiet, but Distilleries were firmer. Marconi Shares improved again. There was a more settled market for Home Rails, with buyers apparently watching several of the leading Stocks at recent depressed levels. Parent Tyres were quiet and Dunlop Rubbers dull. Tobaccos were very much better, the recent set-back having done the market good. Textiles varied a little. Lever Bros. closed firm and Vickers were higher. Dublin Artisans Dwellings rose to 7, but J. G. Mooney Ord. and Merchants Warehousing Shares relapsed. Oils fluctuated. Mexican Eagles were in demand, but Shells fell further.

The Funds were again well supported in representative Stocks. Consols closed bid for. War Lo. 5 p.c. rose a further 1/16 to 100 11/16, and Conversion Loan 1¼ to 76 1/16 ⅛. Irish Land Stock, not recently dealt in, shows a decline of ½ to 57¼.

Among Banking securities, Bank of Ireland Stock fell ½ to 220¼ at one time, but later rallied to 221, and Provincials eased ¼ to 20¾. Hibernians remain at 6½ and Royals at 11¼. Nationals were again dull and nominal at 18 to 18¼, with a small transaction at the former figure.

In Breweries and Distilleries, J. Jameson and Son Debs. rose ⅛ to 7, while Guinness Ord., after repeating 44¼, eased to 44⅛. Power and Son Pref. improved 3d. to 20s. 3d.

Marconi Ord. rose 9d. to 52s., but Radio Preferred fell 3d. to 13s. 3d.

The changes in Home Rails include a rise of ½ to 38-38½ in Great Southern and Western Ord. and ½ to 50½ in the 4 p.c. Guaranteed, while the Pref. at 41 and the Debs. at 60½ were buyers for choice. Dublin and South-Eastern show no alteration at 16, but the Pref. fell 1 to 39. Great Northern Ord. was wanted, but did not change hands, while the Guaranteed repeated 61, and the Debs. closed nominally 1 higher at 65 to 67. Midland Great Western was finally ½ higher at 30, but the 4 p.c. Pref. fell 1 to 42 and the Guaranteed 3½ to 46½.

Parent Tyre Pref. at 13s. 9d. and the Ord. at 15s. 9d. were firm, but Dunlop Rubber Ord. eased 1½d. to 9s. 7½d.

Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Shares fell ¼ to 6¼.

In Bakery Shares, Johnston Ord. fell 26s. 3d. to 75s. on the reduced dividend for the past year.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco recovered 7½d. to 85s. and Imperials 3d. to 76s. 3d. 76s. 4½d. 76s. 3d. Coats rose 3d. to 64s. 9d. and Cottons 3d. to 47s. 3d., while Calicos fell 1½d. to 22s. 10½d. and Spinners 9d. to 43s. 9d. Courtaulds rallied 1s. 4½d. to 62s. Lever Bros. rose 1½d. to 21s. 1½d., and the 8 p.c. remain at 19s. 6d. Vickers rose 3d. to 16s. 10½d., the Pref. 1½d. to 18s. 10½d., and Listers fetched 30s. 9d.

In Trading, etc., Bagots Hutton Ord. closed on offer at 70s., against 66s., the previous price. Baker Wardell Pref. rose 3d. to 10s. 3d., and Dockrell Ord. repeated 15s. J. G. Mooney and Co. Ord. fell 7s. 6d. to 92s. 6d., Yam Seng Rubber 3d. to 3s. 4½d., and Merchants Warehousing 2s. 6d. to 30s. Dublin Artisans Dwellings rose ½ to 7.

Mexican Eagle Oil rose 1s. 1½d. to 39s. 39s. 3d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

5% War Ln.(100½)	100⅝	Do. Pref. ....(13/9)	13/9
Conver. Ln...(75½)	76⅛ ⅛	Dunlops ......(9/9)	9/7½
War Bonds, 1924..	104	Alliance Gas......(6¼)	6¼
War Bonds, 1928..	106⅛	Johnston Mooney Ord. (5½)	75/-
Bank of Ireland (221)	220½c 1c	Arnott Pref....(75/-)	75/-
Hibernian ......(6½)	*6½	B.A.T. ....(84/4½)	85/-
National ......(x.d.)	*18	Imp. Tob.......(76/-)	76/3 6/4½ 6/3
Provincial ......(21)	20¾	Calicos ....(23/-)	22/10½
Royal ......(11½)	11¼	Coats .....(64/6)	64/9 *4/9
Guinness ......(44½)	44¼ ⅛	Cottons ....(47/-)	47/3
Jameson Deb.......(6⅞)	7	Courtaulds	62/-
Power Pref...(20/-)	20/3	Spinners ......(44/6)	43/9
Marconi ......(51/3)	52/-	Lever 7% ......(21/-)	21/1½
Radio Pref...(13/6)	13/3	Do. 8% ....(19/6)	19/6
D.S.E. Ord......(16)	16	Vickers.....(16/7½)	16/10½
Do. Pref ......(40)	39	Do. Tax Free Pf.	18/10½
G.S.W. Ord.....(38)	38 ½	Bagots Hutton	70/-a
Do. Pref.......(41)	41	Baker Pref....(10/-)	10/3
Do. Guar.......(50)	50½	Dockrell Ord.(15/-)	*15/
Do. Deb......(60½)	*60½	Mooney (J. G.)..(5)	92/6
M.G.W. Ord...(29½)	29½ 30	Yam Seng.....(3/7½)	3/4½
Do. 4% Pref....(43)	42	Dub. Art. Dwell.(6½)	7
Do. Guar.......(50)	46½	Mer. Warehs.(32/6)	30/
G.N. Pref.	58a	Shanghai Nanking Bonds	66
Do. Guar......(61)	*61	Lister	30/
Do. Deb..(65)	65b 67a	Mex. E.(38/1½)	39/6 9/
London Elec. Deb...	81¼	Shell ......(78/6)	77/
Parent Ord...(15/9)	15/9		

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS RATE.

Discount	4 p.c.	13th July.
Deposit	1½ p.c.	15th June.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day......	Feb. 5	Feb. 19
General contango day......	Feb. 6	Feb. 20
Ticket day	Feb. 7	Feb. 21
Account day	Feb. 8	Feb. 22

BELFAST.

There was a slight improvement in busine
on Belfast Exchange. War Loan advanced ⅛ t
100⅛, and later to 100¼. In Banks, Norther
Banking "A" Shares repeated 5¼. Provinci
Bank was offered at 21. London Joint Ci
and Midland showed no change at 8⅞. Lo
don County Westminster and Parrs steady
17. Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. (1928) a
vanced to 87½. Belfast Water Commission
5½ p.c. (1938) were ½ higher at 77. Belfa
Harbour Commissioners 3½ p.c. advanced
71. In Railway Shares, Belfast and Co. Do
Ord. went up to 80. Great Northern Sto
was ½ higher at 54. Belfast Ropeworks 5 p
Pref. advanced ½ to 8¼. York Street Fl
Spinning 7 p.c. Pref. were 6d. higher at 2
Bakery Shares still in demand, and Engli
6 p.c. Debs. advanced to 4⅞ for exceptio
amount. In Distilleries, Dunvilles were offe
at 13½, but without buyers. Old Bushm
were wanted at 31s. In Drapery Sha
Lindsay Bros. were offered at 20s. Amon
Miscellaneous Shares, White Tomkins
Courage Ord. advanced 6d. to 24s. An
Persian New Ord. were done at 1s. premi
Mexican Eagles were active, and advan
from 38s. 3d. to 39s. 6d. 39s. 9d., and cl
at 40s. Shell Transport closed at
Dominion Tar and Chemical closed 41s. x.d

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Fair business in Textiles,
steady tone. Bleachers, 43 43/6; do. Pref.,
21/6; Calicos, 22/6-22/9; do. Pref., 17-17/3; D
61-51/6; do. Pref., 19/3-19/9; Cottons, 46/6-4
do. Pref., 19/-19/6; Spinners, 43/6-44 ; do.
19/-19/6, "Stubbers," 9/3-9/6; Coats, 64/6-
Ship Canal, 6½-⅜; do. Pref., 7¼-⅜; Velvets
20/9.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors still quiet. Au
better, also Pref., 1/9 bid. Rovers weak
Enamels still strong. Dunlop American
lower, 2½ prem. Austins, 2/4½; Belsize, 6
mels, 40/3; Components, 6/3; S.T.D., 7/-; En
21/6; Humbers, 23/-; Napiers, 6/-; Rolls
Rovers, 21/6; Singers, 25/-; Swifts, 10/-; Triu
23/6; Vauxhalls, 7/4½; Dunlops, 9/9; Parent
24/6; Standards, 28/9.

COMPANY NOTICES

ATHENRY AND TUAM EXTENSION
CLAREMORRIS RAILWAY COMPANY
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO THE SHAREHOLDER

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary
General Meeting of the Shareholders
of the Athenry and Tuam Extensi
Claremorris Railway Company, Limited, w
held at the Company's Offices, 39 Dame
Dublin, on THURSDAY, the 22nd of Fe
1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for th
pose of transacting the business of the Com
By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Secre
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

WEST CLARE RAILWAY COM
LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary
General Meeting of the Proprietors of th
Clare Railway Company, Limited, will be
the Company's Offices, 39 Dame street, Dubl
THURSDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 19
11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of tra
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The Transfer Books of the Company
closed from the 8th February to the 8th
1923, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Secre
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

SOUTH CLARE RAILWAYS CO
LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinar
General Meeting of the Proprietors of the
Clare Railways Company, Limited, will b
the Company's Offices, 39 Dame street, D
THURSDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY,
11.15 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of t
the general business of the Company.
The Transfer Books of the Company
closed from the 8th February to the 8t
1923, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Se
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS STRONG. RAILS GENERALLY MORE SETTLED. TOBACCOS AND MARCONIS HIGHER. SHARP DECLINES IN INDUSTRIALS.

The British Government having accepted the United States offer to fund the British war debt was a source of special satisfaction in financial interests, and prices of representative securities instantly became firmer, with gains in leading Home Funds. Banking securities were mostly quiet and dull. Breweries were quiet, but Distilleries were firmer. Marconi Shares improved again. There was a more settled market for Home Rails, with buyers apparently watching several of the leading Stocks at recent depressed levels. Parent Tyres were quiet and Dunlop Rubbers dull. Tobaccos were very much better, the recent set-back having done the market good. Textiles varied a little. Lever Bros. closed firm and Vickers were higher. Dublin Artisans Dwellings rose to 7, but J. G. Mooney Ord. and Merchants Warehousing Shares relapsed. Oils fluctuated. Mexican Eagles were in demand, but Shells fell further.

The Funds were again well supported in representative Stocks. Consols closed bid for. War Loan 5 p.c. rose a further 3/16 to 100 11/16 and Conversion Loan 1¼ to 76 5/16 ⅜. Irish Land Stock, not recently dealt in, shows a decline of ⅝ to 57⅞.

Among Banking securities, Bank of Ireland Stock fell ½ to 220½ at one time, but later rallied to 221, and Provincials eased ⅛ to 20⅞. Hibernians remain at 6½ and Royals at 11¼. Nationals were again dull and nominal at 18 to 18½, with a small transaction at the former figure.

In Breweries and Distilleries, J. Jameson and Son Debs. rose ⅛ to 7, while Guinness Ord., after repeating 44½, eased to 44⅜. Power and Son Pref. improved 3d. to 20s. 3d.

Marconi Ord. rose 9d. to 52s., but Radio Preferred fell 3d. to 13s. 3d.

The changes in Home Rails include a rise of ⅛ to 38-38½ in Great Southern and Western Ord. and ½ to 50½ in the 4 p.c. Guaranteed, while the Pref. at 41 and the Debs. at 60½ were buyers for choice. Dublin and South-Eastern show no alteration at 16, but the Pref. fell 1 to 39. Great Northern Ord. was wanted, but did not change hands, while the Guaranteed repeated 61, and the Debs. closed nominally 1 higher at 65 to 67. Midland Great Western was finally ½ higher at 30, but the 4 p.c. Pref. fell 1 to 42 and the Guaranteed 3½ to 46½.

Parent Tyre Pref. at 13s. 9d. and the Ord. at 15s. 9d. were firm, but Dunlop Rubber Ord. eased 1½d. to 9s. 7½d.

Alliance and Dublin Consumers Gas Shares fell ⅛ to 6⅛.

In Bakery Shares, Johnston Ord. fell 26s. 3d. to 75s. on the reduced dividend for the past year.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco recovered 7½d. to 85s. and Imperials 3d. to 76s. 3d. 76s. 4½d. 76s. 3d. Coats rose 3d. to 64s. 9d. and Cottons 3d. to 47s. 3d., while Calicos fell 1½d. to 22s. 10½d. and Spinners 9d. to 43s. 9d. Courtaulds rallied 1s. 4½d. to 62s. Lever Bros. rose 1½d. to 21s. 1½d., and the 8 p.c. remain at 19s. 6d. Vickers rose 3d. to 16s. 10½d., the Pref. 1½d. to 18s. 10½d., and Listers fetched 30s. 9d.

In Trading, etc., Bagots Hutton Ord. closed on offer at 70s., against 66s., the previous price. Baker Wardell Pref. rose 3d. to 10s. 3d., and Dockrell Ord. repeated 15s. J. G. Mooney and Co. Ord. fell 7s. 6d. to 92s. 6d., Yam Seng Rubber 3d. to 3s. 4½d., and Merchants Warehousing 2s. 6d. to 30s. Dublin Artisans Dwellings rose ⅞ to 7.

Mexican Eagle Oil rose 1s. 1½d. to 39s. 39s. 3d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.
Transactions for cash marked "c."

5% War Ln.(100½)	100 11/16	Do. Pref....(13/9)	13/9
Conver. Ln..(75⅞)	76 5/16 ⅜	Dunlops ....(9/9)	9/7½
War Bonds, 1924..	104	Alliance Gas......(6¼)	6⅛
War Bonds, 1928..	106⅛	Johnston Mooney Ord. (5⅔)	75/-
Bank of Ireland (221)	220½c 1c	Arnott Pref.......(75/-)	75/-
Hibernian .....(6½)	*6½	B.A.T. .....(84/4½)	85/-
National .....(x.d.)	*18	Imp. Tob.....(76/-)	76/3 6/4½ 6/3
Provincial ......(21)	20⅞	Calicos ....(23/-)	22/10½
Royal ....(11¼)	11¼	Coats ..(64/6)	64/9 *4/9
Guinness ..(44½)	44½ ⅜	Cottons ....(47/-)	47/3
Jameson Deb......(6⅞)	7	Courtaulds	62/-
Power Pref...(20/-)	20/3	Spinners .....(44/6)	43/9
Marconi .....(51/3)	52/-	Lever 7% ....(21/-)	21/1½
Radio Pref...(13/6)	13/3	Do. 8% .....(19/6)	19/6
D.S.E. Ord.......(16)	16	Vickers..(16/7½)	16/10½
Do. Pref.........(40)	39	Do. Tax Free Pf.	18/10½
G.S.W. Ord....(38)	38 ¼	Bagots Hutton	70/-a
Do. Pref.........(41)	41	Baker Pref..(10/-)	10/3
Do. Guar.......(50)	50½	Dockrell Ord.(15/-)	*15/-
Do. Deb .....(60½)	*60½	Mooney (J. G.)..(5)	92/6
M.G.W. Ord..(29⅞)	29⅞ 30	Yam Seng....(3/7½)	3/4½
Do. 4% Pref....(43)	42	Dub. Art. Dwell..(6¼)	7
Do. Guar.......(50)	46½	Mer. Warehsg.(32/6)	30/-
G.N. Pref.	58a	Shanghai Nanking Bonds	66½
Do. Guar.......(61)	*61	Lister	30/9
Do. Deb..(65)	65b 67a	Mex. E.(38/1½)	39/6 9/3
London Elec. Deb....	81⅛	Shells ......(78/6)	77/-
Parent Ord..(15/9)	15/9		

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS RATE.

Discount	4 p.c. 13th July.
Deposit	1½ p.c. 15th June.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Feb. 5	Feb. 19
General contango day	Feb. 6	Feb. 20
Ticket day	Feb. 7	Feb. 21
Account day	Feb. 8	Feb. 22

BELFAST.

There was a slight improvement in business on Belfast Exchange. War Loan advanced ⅛ to 100⅝, and later to 100 11/16. In Banks, Northern Banking "A" Shares repeated 5½. Provincial Bank was offered at 21. London Joint City and Midland showed no change at 8 7/16. London County Westminster and Parrs steady at 17. Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. (1928) advanced to 87½. Belfast Water Commissioners 5½ p.c. (1938) were ½ higher at 77. Belfast Harbour Commissioners 3½ p.c. advanced to 71. In Railway Shares, Belfast and Co. Down Ord. went up to 80. Great Northern Stock was ½ higher at 54. Belfast Ropeworks 5 p.c. Pref. advanced ½ to 8½. York Street Flax Spinning 7 p.c. Pref. were 6d. higher at 22s. Bakery Shares still in demand, and Inglis's 6 p.c. Debs. advanced to 4⅞ for exceptional amount. In Distilleries, Dunvilles were offered at 13½, but without buyers. Old Bushmills were wanted at 31s. In Drapery Shares, Lindsay Bros. were offered at 20s. Amongst Miscellaneous Shares, White Tomkins and Courage Ord. advanced 6d. to 24s. Anglo-Persian New Ord. were done at 1s. premium. Mexican Eagles were active, and advanced from 38s. 3d. to 39s. 6d. 39s. 9d., and closed at 40s. Shell Transport closed at 34⅛. Dominion Tar and Chemical closed 41s. x.d.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Fair business in Textiles, and steady tone. Bleachers, 43/-43/6; do. Pref., 21/-21/6; Calicos, 22/6-22/9; do. Pref., 17/-17/3; Dyers, 51/-51/6; do. Pref., 19/3-19/9; Cottons, 46/6-47/6; do. Pref., 19/-19/6; Spinners, 43/6-44/-; do. Pref., 19/-19/6; "Slubbers," 9/3-9/6; Coats, 64/6-65/6; Ship Canal, 6¼-½; do. Pref., 7⅜-⅝; Velvets, 30/3-30/9.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors still quiet. Austins better, also Pref., 1/9 bid. Rovers weakened. Bluemels still strong. Dunlop American Debs. lower, 2½ prem. Austins, 2/4½; Belsize, 6/-; Bluebells, 40/3; Components, 6/3; S.T.D., 7/-; Enfields, 23/6; Humbers, 23/-; Napiers, 6/-; Rolls 21/6; Rovers, 21/6; Singers, 25/-; Swifts, 10/-; Triumphs, 22/6; Vauxhalls, 7/4½; Dunlops, 9/9; Parent Def., 24/6; Standards, 28/9.

COMPANY NOTICES.

ATHENRY AND TUAM EXTENSION TO CLAREMORRIS RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Athenry and Tuam Extension to Claremorris Railway Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on THURSDAY, the 22nd of February, 1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of transacting the business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Secretary.
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

WEST CLARE RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors of the West Clare Railway Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on THURSDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1923, at 11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of transacting the general business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th February to the 8th March, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Secretary.
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

SOUTH CLARE RAILWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Proprietors of the South Clare Railways Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices, 39 Dame street, Dublin, on THURSDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1923, at 11.15 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of transacting the general business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th February to the 8th March, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. KENNEDY, Secretary.
Company's Offices, 39 Dame street,
Dublin, 1st February, 1923.

CHEERFUL STOCKS.

EFFECT OF U.S. DEBT SETTLEMENT.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT AND THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

As the result, both of the more favourable news from Lausanne and the settling of definite terms in connection with our war debt to the United States, Stock markets yesterday opened mostly in general on a far more cheerful note than has characterised dealings for some little time. Satisfaction is general that in regard to the American debt we know where we stand. The rises in prices at the beginning of the session were, however, not retained in every instance, although prices on the whole ruled appreciably better on the day, especially in the gilt-edged department.

LONDON STOCKS RECOVER.

DEBT SETTLEMENT INFLUENCE.

The Stock markets experienced a sharp rebound yesterday in most departments on the debt settlement with the United States and the more hopeful outlook regarding Turkey. General business, however, failed to expand, and there was a slight reaction after the good opening, but the tone at the close was firm.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES were rather quiet. French Loans were very heavy, the Fives at 22½ and the Fours at 17 both losing a point. Brazil Fours of 1889 gained a point at 42.

HOME RAILS did not move freely, but the few changes were to higher levels. Great Western rose ½ to 112½. London Mid. Scottish Ord. gained ½ at 106½, Metropolitan District rose ½ to 47½, Caledonian Deferred Ord. rose ¼ to 16, and London North-Eastern Second Pref. ¼ to 79½. Southern Ord. A fell ½ to 32.

In COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS, among Argentines, Pacifics rose ½ to 81½. Entre Rios Ord. fell ½ to 24 and Mexican National Second Pref. ¼ to 3¼.

OIL SHARES BETTER.

LEADERS IMPROVE.

In common with most other sections of the House, the Oil Share market had a more cheerful appearance at the commencement of business yesterday. The volume of business, however, still left much to be desired, dealings, in fact, being if anything on a smaller scale than on the preceding day, and once more mainly professional. Opening prices of the leading issues were generally above the overnight level, and a fairly steady tone was maintained throughout the day, the movements finally recorded being in favour of holders in the majority of cases. The best spot among the leaders was provided by Royal Dutch, in which an appreciable recovery occurred, although the best price was not maintained at the close. Shells on the other hand failed to hold an initial improvement, the shares weakening on a steady stream of selling. The sales of Shells were believed to be by participants in the pool. It may be recalled that the managers of the pool have on two occasions extended the period to which they are prepared to finance the unpaid balance, February 26 being the date to which accommodation was last offered. The view appears to prevail that the managers may not finance the operation beyond February 26. Mexican Eagles were a steady market, and, although finishing below the best, nevertheless registered an improvement, the 8 p.c. and 7 p.c. Prefs. moving in sympathy. Higher prices also ruled for Burmahs and the Anglo-Persian issues. Closing prices:—

1⅛	Agwi Petroleum	1⅛	1⅛
3⅝	Anglo-American	3⅜	3⅝
21/0	Anglo-Ecuadorian	23/6	24/6 +0/3
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅛+⅛
25/0	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	24/7½	25/1½+0/1½
26/1½	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	25/7½	26/1½+0/1½
4⅜	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	3⅞	4⅛+⅛
91½	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	91½	92½
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅜+⅛
⅛	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	⅛	¼
10/6	British Burmah (8/-)	⅝	¾
7/6	British Controlled	7/10½	8/4½+0/1½
8/6	Do. Pref.	9/1½	9/7½+0/4½
5	Burmah	5	5⅛+⅛
25/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	24/9	25/3
1/10½	Caltex	1/10½	2/1½
⅜	Dacia Romano	¼	⅜
5	Eagle Transport	4⅞	5⅛xd
96½	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	96	97
98½	Do. Bearer	98	99
2/6	General Pet. Trinidad	2/10½	3/4½+0/1½
0/6	Indo Burmah	0/6	1/0
17/6	Kern River (10/-)	18/1½	18/7½
5⅛	Lobitos	5⅛	5⅜xd
1⅞	Mexican Eagle	1⅞	1⅞+⅛
1⅞	Do. Pref.	1⅞	1⅞+⅛
17/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	17/1½	17/7½+0/1½
⅛	North Caucasian (10/-)		⅛
1/1½	Oilfields Egypt	1/3	1/9
—	Peru Syndicate	5/6	6/0 —0/1½
24/0	Phœnix	24/6	25/0 +0/1½
2/4½	Premier Oil	2/0	2/6
11/6	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3
31⅛	Royal Dutch	29	29⅛+¾
1/6	Scottish American	1/10½	2/1½
3⅛	Shell Transport	3⅛	3⅜—⅛
9¼	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9¼	9½
24/3	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	24/0	24/3 —0/1½
5/0	Spies (10/-)	4/4½	4/10½
9/3	Steaua Romana	8 9	9/3
7/9	Tankers Pref.	8/1½	8/7½
1⅛	Trinidad Central	1⅛	1⅛
1⅛	Trinidad Lease	1⅛	1¼
	United Brit. Trinidad	⅛	⅛
½	Ural Caspian	⅜	½
8/0	Urox Oil	⅛	⅛
26/3	V.O.C. Holdings	29/1½	29/7½ —0/4½
24/6	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	26/6	27/0 —1/0

RUBBER SHARES DEPRESSED.

RAW MATERIAL LOWER.

The Rubber Share market was depressed yesterday, and falls were general. There was, in fact, scarcely a rise, except that of 2s. 6d. to 35s. 9d. in General Ceylon. Highlands fell 5s. to 36s. 3d., Kasintoe at 20s. was 2s. 9d. down, United Sua Betong lost 2s. 6d. at 67s. 6d., Straits Rubber 1s. 9d. at 22s. 1½d., and Sapong 1s. 7½d. to 28s. 9d. The price of rubber fell to 17¼d per lb. Closing prices:—

M.U.			
26 9	Anglo-Dutch	34/1½	—0/6
3/4½	Anglo-Java	2/10½	—0/4½
1⅛	Anglo-Malay	22/6*	—1/6
5/4½	Bertam Cons.	4/10½	—0/3
3/7½	Bukit Mertajam	3/4½	
2/3	Bukit Sembawang	2/1½	
⅛	Damansara	18/0	
25/0	Grand Central	22/6	—0/1½
3/3	Highlands	36/3	—5/0
3/3	Kamuning	3/1½	+0/1½
5/9	Kepong	6/0	
2⅛	Kuala Lumpur	40.0	
1⅛	Labu	36/8½	
2⅛	Linggi	36/3	—1/3
4/10½	London-Asiatic	4/3	—0/1½
2⅛	Malacca	48/9	
29/9	Malayalam	27/6	—0/4½
4/0	Merlimau	3/7½	—0/1½
1⅛	Mooply Valley	21/0	—1/6
3/0	Port Dickson	2/9	
29/3	Rubber Trust	28/6½	—0/8½
2⅛	Seafield	17/6	
2⅛	Sendayan	37/6	
1⅛	Sialang	32/6	—1/3
24/6	Straits Rub.	22/1½	—1/9
25/6	Tali Ayer	24/0	—0/3
1⅛	Tandjong	32/6	—1/3
4/0	Un. Serdang	3 9	
4	United Sua Betong	67/6	—2/6
17/6	Vallambrosa	16/0	—0/6

Anglo-Sum.	48 9		N. Hummock	21/3	
Bah Lias	32/6		P.P.K.(C'yl'n)	20/9	
Batu Tiga	37/6		Pataling	24/4½	
B.N.B.R. Trst	10/6		Pilmoor	22/6	
Brieh	2/4½		Rim Malacca	3/0	
Bukit Cloh	3/1½		Rub.E.Johore	28/0	
Bukit Rajah	26/3		Sapong	28 9	—1/7½
Castlefield	3/7½	+0/1½	Sapumalk'de	22/3	
Cheviot	3/9		Selangor	6 0	
Cicely	5/6	+0/0½	SerdangC'nt'l.	21/3	
Eastern Trust	21/6		Soember Ajoe.	2/4½	
Gen. Ceylon	35/9	+2/6	Strathmore	14 6	
Glenbervie	34/4½		Sumatra Con.	28 0	
Golden Hope	28/0		Sungei Buaya	28/9	
Java Amal.	31/3		Sungei Choh	20 0	
Kapar Para	44/4½		Sungei Kapar	5/1½	
Kasintoe	20/0*	—2/9	Sungei Kr. Pf.	45/7½	
Kepitigalla	10 9		Taiping	2/2½	
Kombok	3/7½	—0/0½	Tebrau	38 6	
LangkatSum	32/6	—1/3	Telogoredjo	42 6	—1/3
Ledbury	33/9	—1/3	Tempeh	1/1½	—0/2½
Manch'ter N B.	22/6	—1/3	Un.Temiang	3/6	
Membakut	15/0		Yam Seng	3/7	

*Ex Div. †Ex Rights.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance, 11⅛, 12 1/16, 11⅞, ⅞; Commercial Union, 33, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Caledonian, 58, ⅛, ⅛, £33 13/6, £33 9/-, 33⅛; Eagle Star, 14, 13⅞, £13 16/9, 14; Guardian, 6, ⅛, £6 0/9, 6; London Lancs., 14⅛, £14 16/6, 14⅛, ⅛; London Scottish, 73/6, 4/-, 5/-; London Assurance, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Motor Union, 7⅛, ⅛, 8; North British and Mercantile, 13⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Royal Insurance, 22⅛, 1⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Sea, 71/3, 10½d., 3/1½; Sun, 17⅛, ⅛, ⅛; United British, 47/6, 9d., 3d., 6d.; Yorkshire, 10, 9⅞.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance, New, 13⅛; Caledonian, 60; Commercial Union, 33⅛, ⅛; Eagle Star, 280/9; Employers Liability, 4; General Accident, 6, ⅛, 6; London Lancs., 14⅛, ⅛, ⅛; London Assurance, 8⅛; Motor Union, 8; North British and Mercantile, 13⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; Pelican, 11⅛; Royal Insurance, 21⅛, ⅛, 2; Scottish Union, 7⅛, 8; Sea, 3⅛; Sun, £17 12/3, 11/3; Yorkshire Shares, No. 190,001-235,226, 20⅛.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments:—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	56-57+⅛	5½% TreasB.	104⅞-105⅛
War Ln.3½%	96-97	Irish Lnd 2¾%	57-59
do. 4½%	95-96	India 3%	56-57
do. 5%	100⅞-100⅝+⅛	do. 3½%	65-66
do. 4%	101½-102	do. 5½%	100-100½
Fund'g L'n	87½-87⅞+⅛	do. 7%	112-115
Victory Bds.	89½-91	Local Loans	64-65
3½% Conv.Ln.	76⅛-6⅜+⅛		

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943	89-91	Nigeria 6%	112-114
Aust.Com.5½%	100-102	Q'sland 4,1940-50	82-4
do. 6%	103-105*	do. 4½, 1920-5	98-100
Brit.Col 4½ 1941	92-94*	do. 6% 1930-40	103-5—1
Canada 4%	88-90	S. Africa 4% Cns.	87-89
do.4½1920-5	100½-101½	do. 6%	105-107
Cape 3½ Cons.	78-80	S.A'stri'n4,'40-60	83-85*
Ceylon 6%	107-9	do.5,1921-3	100½-101½
Natal 3½ '34	79-81	do. 5½%	100-102
N.S.W.4½1922-7	96-98	do. 6½%	106-8*
do. 5½ 1922-7	100-102	Victoria 4,1940-60	85-7
do. 5½% 1922-32	101-103	do. 6½% 1923-5	102½-3½
do. 6½% 1930-40	106-8*	W.Aust'n4%42-62	83-5*
N.Zeal'd 4, '29	94-96	do.5½% 1930-40	102-104

FOREIGN BONDS.

90	Argentine, 1886	98	100*	
86	Do. 5 p.c., 1907	84	87	
41½	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889	41	43	+1
80	Do. Funding 1908	79	81*	
68	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	68	70*	
93½	Chinese 5 p.c., 1896	93	95	
81¾	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	82	84	
72½	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	72	74	
68½	Egyptian Unified	68	70	
25	French Loan	21½	23½	—1
19½	Do. 4 p.c.	16	18	—1
⅛	German 3 p.c.	⅛	¾	
20	Italian Rentes	19	21	
101½	Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st	101	103	
87½	Do. 4 p.c., 1905	87	89*	
86½	Do. New 5 p.c., 1907	86	88	
54½	Mexican 5 p.c., 1899	55	57	
60½	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	60	63	
4½	Peruvian Corporation	4½	4½	
31½	Do. Pref.	29½	30½	
92¼	Do. Deb.	94	96	
27	Portuguese 3 p.c.	26	28*	
—	Russian 4 p.c.	5	7	
8	Do. 5 p.c., 1906	7	10	
105	San Paulo 8 p.c.	105	107	
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	72	78*	
56½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	55½	56½*	

BRITISH RAILS.

15¾	Caledonian Def. Ord.	15½	16½	+¼
111½	Great Western	112	113	+½
107	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	106	107	+½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	96	99	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	80	82	
79	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	78½	79½	
34½	Do. Def. Ord.	34½	34¾	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	78¾	79¾	+¼
61½	Metropolitan	61½	62½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	95	99	
47	Do. District	47	48	+½
33	Southern Ord. "A"	31½	32½	—⅛
11½	Do. "B"	10½	11½	
79	Do. Pref. Ord.	78½	79½	
35½	Do. Def. Ord.	34	35	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	101	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf.1924	97	101	
3	Underground Electric	2⅞	3⅛	
90½	Do. Income Bonds	91	94	
103	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	107	109	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	107	109*	
—	Baltimore	49	51	—1
—	Chesapeake	79	81	
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	24	26	
11½	Erie	11	13	
—	Do. Pref.	17	19	
—	Missouri	8	10	
—	New York, Ontario	20	22	
31	Southern Common	30	32	—1
—	Do. Pref.	70	72	—1
—	Southern Pacific	96	98	
—	Union Pacific	147	149	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

77	Antofagasta	76	78	
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	78½	80½	
—	Bahia Blanca	75	77	
—	Brazil Railway Common	⅞	1⅛	
87½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	85½	87½	
80½	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	80½	82½	+½
84	Buenos Ayres and W.	82	84	
153	Canadian Pacific	154	156	
74½	Central Argentine	73½	75½	
47	Central Uruguay	47	49	
—	Entre Rios	23	25	—⅛
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	70	72	
—	Grand Trunk	⅝	⅞	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Guaranteed	77	79	
—	Do. 1st Pref.	7	10	
—	Do. 2nd Pref.	4	6	
—	Do. 3rd Pref.	1½	2½	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	72	75*	
33½	Leopoldina	32½	34½	
11¾	Mexican Rails	11½	12½	
36½	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	35	37	
20	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	20	21	
—	Mexican Nat 1st Pref.	6	8	
3	Mexican Nat 2nd Pref.	3	3½	—¼
125	San Paulo Ord.	122	127	
72½	United Havana	73½	75½	

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt	6⅛	6⅝	
—	Anglo-South American	8	8½	
—	Australasia	13	13½	
—	Bank New South Wales	34½	35½	
—	Bank New Zealand (£1)	2⅝	2⅞	
—	Barclays "A"	7⅛	7⅜*	
—	British of Foreign Trade	½	⅝	
—	British Overseas	5⅛	5⅜	
—	Chartered of India	18½	19	—¼
—	Canadian of Commerce	42	44	
—	Hong Kong	118	120	
—	Lloyds	38/3	39/6	
—	London and Brazilian	20	22	
—	London City Midland	8⅛	8⅜*	
—	London Westminster	16¾	17¼*	
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)	10¼	10½*	
—	Standard South Africa	11½	11¾	
—	Union of Australia	13½	14¼*	

TELEGRAPHS.

22½	Anglo-American Def.	22	22½	
2⅛	Marconi Ord.	2⅛	2¼	
2⅛	Do. Pref.	2⅛	2¼	
1⅞	Do. Marine	1⅜	1⅝	
10/9	Do. Canada	11/0	11/6	+0/3
15/6	Radio Corporation	14/7½	15/7½	—0/4½
13/6	Do. Pref	12/10½	13/4½	+0/1½

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Aboukir Land	¾	1	
31/0	Aerated Bread	1½	1⅝	
19½	Alianza	19	20	
7/9	Allsopp £1 Shares	7/0	9/0*	
84	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	82	86*	
12/3	Amalgamated Cotton	12/3	13/3	+0/3
3⅝	Anglo-Argentine 1st	3½	3⅝	—⅛
2⅜	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	2⅜	2⅝	
2⅜	Do. Pref.	2½	2⅞	
9/3	Argentine Northern Land	1⅛	1⅜	
24 0	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅜	
20/0	Armstrongs	19/0	20/0	+0/3
19/0	Associated Cement	19/6	20/6	+0/6
18/3	Do. Pref.	17/6	18/6	
—	Bartholomay Pref.	1⅛	2	
92	Bass, Ratcliff Pref.	84	87*	
37/6	Borax Con Def.	1/7½	2/1½	
—	British Glass	25/0	27/0	
26/0	British Portland Cement	12/6	13/6	
13/6	B.S.A.	1⅛	1⅜	
27/3	British Oil and Cake	36/0	38/0	
35/6	Brunner Mond	12/0	14/0	
12/6	B.N.B. Land	44½	46½*	+½
46½	Brazilian Traction	78	79*	—1
75	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	88	91	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	2	2¼	
39/3	Bryant and May	2½	2¾	
42/6	Bleachers	83/6	85/6*	
88/6	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	2⅜	2½	
49/6	Bradford Dyers	22/3	23/3	
22/6	Calico Printers	17/0	18/0	—0/6
18/6	Cammell Laird	18/6	19/6	
17/9	Cargo Fleet	3⅝	3⅞	
65/0	Coats	3	3¼	
62/6	Courtaulds	35/0	36/0	
—	Court Line	4/9	5/9	
4/3	Crosse and Blackwell	1⅛	1¼	
—	Cunard Ord.	92	93	
—	De La Rue Deb.	9/3	10/3	
10/0	Dunlop Rubber	105	107	
106	Do. Deb.	17/9	18/9	+0/3
18/3	Dorman Long	16/6	18/0	
—	English Electric	2⅛	2⅜*	
47/0	English Sewing Cotton	2⅜	2½	
42/6	Fine Spinners			
17/6	Forestal Land	1¼	1⅜	
—	Furness Withy	106	108	
—	General Electric Deb.	430	450	
440	Guinness	116	121	
—	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
29/6	Harrods	102	104	
—	Hovis Deb	7¼	7¾	
7⅞	Hudson's Bay Ord.	75/9	77/3	+0/9
74/6	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	22/6	23/6	
23/0	J. Brown	¾		
16/0	Do. (15/- paid)	1⅛	1¼*	
28/6	Lipton	4⅛	4⅜	
4⅜	Lyons (J.)	7	7½	
7⅝	Lautaro Nitrate	20/6	21/3	
20/7½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	107	109	
—	Do. Debs	25/0	27/0	
26/9	Lagunas Nitrate	1⅛	1¼	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	1⅛	1⅝	
29/9	Lister Ord.	2⅞	3⅛	—⅛
3⅛	Liverpool Nitrate	2	2½	—⅛
2⅛	London Nitrate	27/6	28/0	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	⅞		
6/10½	Maypole Def.	1	1¼	
—	Mond Nickel Pref.	20	25	
23	Mexican Trams	77	80	
80	Do. Bonds	63½	66½	—2
—	Do. L and P. Bonds	17/9	18/9	+0/3
17/9	Niger Pref.	⅞	1⅛	
18/6	Nobel Ord.	⅞	1⅛	
19/3	Do. Pref.	¾		
—	Do. Def.	1⅛	1⅜	
1⅛	Parent Tyre Def.	1	1⅛	
15/9	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
28/0	Pease and Partners	320	330	
—	P. and O. Def.			
7/9	Pekin Syndicate	39/6	40/6	+0/6
41/9	Platt Bros. Ord.	95	100	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
22/6	Rio Negro Lands	1	1⅛	
22/0	Rolls Royce	27/0	29/0	
29/0	Rosario Nitrate	1⅛	1⅜	
21/0	Salt Union	2⅛	2¼	+⅛
33/0	South Durham Steel	93	98	
93	San Paulo Tram Deb.	1⅛	1⅜*	
32/6	South African Breweries	105	110	+1
12½	Shawinigan Water Bonds	1⅛	1⅜	
30/0	Sant. Rit Nitrate	2	2½	—⅛
2½	Santiago Nitrate	2⅜	2⅝	
33/0	Salar del Carmen	⅝	¾	
19/6	Siemens		¾	—⅛
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	12/0	14/0	
13/6	Tarapaca Nitrate	1⅛	1⅜*	
—	United Cold Storage	1⅛	1⅜	
—	United Alkali	11/6	12/6	
13/0	United Steel	16/3	17/3	+0/3
16/3	Vickers Ord.	4⅞	5⅛	
24/0	Van D. Berghs	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. Pref.			
—	Weardale C.P.O.			

TEA SHARES.

Con. T. and L. Ord., 21⅛+⅛; Doöars, 54/-—1/-; East Produce, 55/6—1/-; Empire 47/3—9d.; Jokai, £27⅛—⅛; Lebong, 42/6+9d.; Lungla, 18/1½—7½d.; Nedeem, 44/9+9d.

*Ex div. †Ex bonus.

TRAFFICS.

Argentine Transandine Railway — Week to January 27—£3,670, increase £980. Chatham and District Light Railways—Week to January 25—£1,378, increase £5. Cordoba Light, Power, and Traction—December—£25,810, increase £3,176. Kalgoorlie Electric Tramways—November—Net revenue, £676. Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway—Week to January 27—Rs. 2,658,000, increase Rs. 669,000. Havana Central Railroad—Week to January 27—£14,123, increase £2,087. South Indian—Week to January 6—Rs. 510,674, increase, Rs. 64,086.

LONDON MINING MARKET CLOSES FIRM.

VERY LITTLE DOING.

The Mining market opened in quite good style, and sentiment underwent a decided change for the better. Unfortunately, public business failed to expand, and, as the day wore on and the provinces remained indifferent early brightness became somewhat dimmed. The failure of the public to respond to the better news was no doubt largely due to the approach of the week-end, which is immediately followed by the settlement. Moreover, profit-taking was still in evidence in several directions, and, after the initial burst, prices generally settled down to about the overnight's level, fluctuations being within very narrow limits. Paris was an uncertain factor, the continued weakness of the franc preventing any expansion of French activity, and Johannesburg was doing very little, so that in the Mining market Kaffirs made a rather poor showing. At the same time most of the changes recorded were in favour of holders, and it was suggested that, with dividends almost immediately due and sellers scarce, an upward movement is not unlikely, especially if the question with Turkey is solved over the week-end. No features presented themselves, but at the close the tone was quite firm. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U.		
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1⅛-1¼
17/0	Anglo-French	16/3-17/3
2⅞	Brakpan	2¾-2⅞
8⅜	Cent. Mining (£8)	8⅜-8⅝
2¾	City Deep	2⅝-2⅞
⅞	Con. Goldfields	15/6-16/6—/10½
16/0	Cons. Langlaagte	15/6-16/0—0/3
12/9	Cons. Main Reef	12/9-13/3
15/6	Cons. Selec. (10/-)	15/3-16/3
2⅞	Crown Mines (10/0)	2⅝-2⅞
10/0	E. Rand Mining	12/0-13/0
7/9	E. Rand Prop.	7/4½-7/7½
3¼	Geduld	3-3⅛
13/0	Gen. Mining	13/6-14/0+0/3
5⅝	Government Areas	5½-5⅝
30/0	Johan'burg Invest	29/9-30/3
8/3	Kleinfontein	6/3-6/9
5/0	Knight Central	5/0-5/6
19 0	Knight's	18/3-19/3
21/9	Langlaagte Estate	21/3-22/3+0/3
4⅛	Meyer & Charlton	4-4⅛
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/-)	4⅛-4⅜
1⅞	Modder B (5/-)	1¾-1⅞
2⅛	Modder Deep (5/-)	2⅛-2⅜
7/0	Modder East	6/6-7/0
1¾	New State Areas	1⅝-1¾
17/0	Nourse Mines	17/0-17/6+0/3
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/-)	2⅛-2⅜+⅛
22/0	Randfontein	22/3-22/9+0/3
15/0	do. Central	15/3-15/9+0/3
1⅝	Rob'son Dp.A (1/-)	1⅜-1⅝
12/6	Robinson Dp. B	12/0-12/6
14/3	Rose Deep	13/9-14/3
⅜	S.A. Gold Trust	15/0-16/0
2⅛	Springs Mines	2⅛-2⅜
2¼	Trans. and Del. B.	2⅛-2⅜
17/6	Trans-Con.L. (15/0)	16/0-17/0
26 0	Union Corp. (12/6)	26/0-26/6—0/3
18/9	Van Ryn	17/3-17/9
3⅜	Van Ryn Deep	3⅛-3⅜
20/9	Vereeniging	20/0-21/0
16/6	Village Deep	16/0-16/6+0/3
16/6	Witersrand Deep	17/6-18/6

RUSSIAN.

9/6	RussoAsiat.Cons.	9/0-9/6—0/3
3/0	Russian Mining	3/0-4/0
3/0	Siberian Props.	⅜-½
⅛	Spassky	⅛-⅜

RHODESIAN.

M.U.		
9 0	Bechuanaland Ex.	8/3-8/9
2⅛	Cam and Motor	2⅛-2¼—⅛
12/6	Charter'd B.S.A.	12/3-12/6—0/3
8/0	Falcon	8/3-8/9+0/3
13 0	Gaika Gold	14/9-15/3+0/3
16 9	Globe & Phœnix (5/)	16/6-17/6+0/6
7 0	Gold F. Rho. (10/-)	6/9-7/3
1¾	Lonely Reef	1⅝-1⅞
3⅝	Rezende	3½-3⅝
5/9	R.BrokenHill (5/-)	6/3-6/9
1⅛	Selukwe	1⅛-1⅜—⅛
—	Shamva Mines	1½-1⅝
20/3	Tanganyika	20/6-21/0+0/3
17/6	Vic. Falls Ord.	15/0-16/0
25 9	do. Pref.	26/0-27/0+0/3
13/6	Wankie Col. (10/-)	13/6-14/6
13 3	Zambesia Explor.	13/3-13/9
—	Zambesia Min. D.	¾-1

DIAMOND.

12⅝	De Beers (£2½)	12⅝-12¾+⅛
11⅛	do. Pref	11⅛-11⅜+⅛
3⅜	Jagersfontein	3⅜-3⅝+⅛
⅛	N. Val River	⅛-¼
6¼	Premier Def. (2/6)	6-6¼
6⅛	do. Pref (5/-)	6⅛-7⅛

AUSTRALIAN.

1⅛	Amal. Zinc	⅞-1⅛
1¾	Brit. Broken Hill	1½-1⅞
31/9	Broken Hill Prop.	1⅝-1⅞
2⅝	B. Hill Sth. (New)	2⅝-2⅞
⅜	B. Hill, Block 10	⅜-⅝
4/3	Great Boulder (2/-)	4/3-4/9
⅜	Ivanhoe	¾-⅞
11/3	Lake View (10/0)	13/3-14/3
2⅜	North Broken Hill	2⅜-2½
17/3	Sulphide Ord.	⅞-1⅛—/4½
13/3	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	14/9-15/9
2⅝	do. Pref.	2⅛-2⅜

WEST AFRICAN.

30/0	Akim	1⅛-1⅜+⅛
11/6	Ashanti Gold (4/-)	11/3-11/9
12/1½	Fanti Cons. (8/-)	12/9-13/3+0/6
16/3	Gold Coast Amal.	16/6-17/6
10/7½	Obuassi	9/6-10/6
5 9	Taquah Explor.	5/6-6/0

TIN.

M.U.		
13/9	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	13/6-14/0
3⅜	Arama Francke	3-3⅛
2/10½	East Pool (5/-)	2/9-3/3
1⅛	Gopeng	1⅛-1⅜
—	Kinta	1¾-1⅞
1⅛	Kramat Pulai	1⅛-1⅜
1⅛	Malayan T.D.	1½-1⅝
⅛	Naraguta	⅝-¾
1/9	Nigerian Tin (5/-)	1/3-1/9
—	Pahang (5/-)	8/9-9/3+0/3
—	Rambutan	⅞-1⅛
1⅛	Ronong	1⅛-1⅜
7 3	Ropp (4/-Shares)	7/0-7/6—/1½
2⅛	Siamese	2⅛-2⅜+⅛
4/6	South Bukeru	5/0-6/0
1⅛	Tronoh	1⅛-1⅜

COPPER.

⅛	Arizona (5/-)	1⅛-1⅜
⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	⅛-⅜
12 9	Mount Morgan	13/0-14/0+/4½
22/0	Mount Lyell	21/6-22/6
1½	Namaqua	1⅜-1⅝
15/3	New Guinea	15/3-16/3
31½	Rio Tinto (£5)	31¾-32—⅛
14/3	S. American (2/-)	14/3-15/3+0/3

MISCELLANEOUS.

11/6	Brit. Platinum	12/3-13 3+0/3
8 1½	Burma Corp.	8/3-8/9
3/6	Camp Bird Ord.	4/6-5/0
5/6	Chemical and Met.	⅜-⅝
5/6	Colombian Mining	6/6-7/6—0/3
8/3	El Oro	8/9-9/3—0/6
11/6	Esperanza	13/9-14/3—0/3
9 0	Kirkland Lake	10/3-11/3—1/0
4⅜	Mexico Mines	4-4⅜+⅛
6½	Minerals Separ't'n	4½-5⅛
3/4½	Min.Corp.of Can.	3/3-3/9+0/3
11/3	Mysore (10/-)	10/6-11/6
3/0	Nat. Min. (10/-pd.)	2/10½-3/4½
26/6	New Chuquitambo	1⅝-1⅞
⅛	Oregum	1-1⅛+⅛
19/3	Oroville	⅞-1⅛
17/0	St.JohnDelRey	[illegible]
7/0	Santa Gertrudis	8/6-9/0
1⅛	Waihi Gold	1⅛-1⅜

*Ex Dividend. †Ex Right.

BUSINESS DONE.

Anglo-American Corp.—25/-, 4/4½. Brakpan—*52/6. British South Africa—12/6, 8¼d., 7½d., 9d., *11/9, *3d., 12/5¼. Broken Hill Prop.—33/4½, 1½d., 2/6. Burma Corp.—8/6, 7½d., 3d., 6½d., 4½d. Central Mining—8⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅜, 4⅞. City Deep—53/9, 5¼d., 1½d. Colombian Mining—7/4½, 6d., 6/7½, 9¼d., 10½d., 7/-. Consol. Diamond Mines of S.W. Africa—22/-, 3d. Consol. Gold Fields—16/9, 3d. Consol. Main Reef—13/3, 13/-, 2¼d. Consol. Mines Selection—15/9, *6d., 7½d., 16/-. Crown Mines—58/-, 1½d., 7/6, 6/3. Durban Rood. Deep—12/10½. Esperanza—13/6 5d., 14/-, 3d., 13/9, 10½d. Fanti Consols.—12/7½, 9d., 4½d., 6d., ¾d. Geduld—60/7½, 1/-, 10½d. General Mining—13/6, 9d., 7½d., 3d. Johannesburg Invest.—*28/-, *3d., 30/1½, 29/6, *8/-, 9/9. Langlaagte—21/6. Lyndhurst Deep Level—1/6⅛. Minerals Separation—6⅛. Modderfontein B (5/- shares)—31/3, 30/11½, 7½d., 1/0½, *10½d. Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)—46/6, 9d. Modderfontein East—6/7½, 10½d. Mount Lyell—21/7½, 9d., 10½d. New Kleinfontein—*5/9, 6/3. New Modderfontein—81/10½, 3/1½, 2/6, 9d. New State Areas—38/9, 1½d., 9/4½. Nourse—17/1½. Oregum—13/-, 6d. Rand Mines—58/9, 7/9½, 8/1½, 7/6, 8/4½, 5¼d. Randfontein Central—15/3, *10/, 15/1½, 6d. Randfontein Estates—22/4½, 3d., 10½d., *1/3, 9d., 3/-. Robinson Deep B—12/3, 6d., 1½d., 4½d. Rose Deep—*12/-. Russo-Asiatic—9/7½, 3½d., 4½d., 2¼d., 6d. Selukwe Gold—31/10½, *3d., 2/6, 2¼d., 30/7½, *6d., 1/-, 3/1½, *30/-. Springs—48/5¼. Tanganyika—20/9, 10½d., 4½d., 1/-, 20/3. Union Corp.—26/1½, 6d., 3d., 5/9, 6/6. Van Ryn Deep—72/9½, 4/8½. Village Deep—16/-, 3d.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—56⅛, ⅛, ⅜, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6, ⅛. 3½ p.c. War Loan—96⅛, *5⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 6, 5⅞, ⅛. 4½ p.c. War Loan—95⅛, 6⅛, 5⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 5 p.c. War Loan—100⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 4 p.c. War Loan—102⅛, 1⅛, 2, 1⅛, 1⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Funding Loan—87⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 8, 7⅞, ⅛, ⅛. Victory Bonds—89⅞, 90⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 89⅞, 90⅛, ⅛. Conversion Loan—76⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅞, 6⅛, 5⅞, ⅛, ⅛. India 7 p.c. Loan—114⅛, ⅛, 14, 13⅞. Sudan 5½ p.c.—103, ⅛, 7⅞. Port of London 6 p.c.—106⅛. Australia 6 p.c. Stock (x.d.)—104⅛, ⅛, *6⅛, 4⅞, ⅛. South Africa 6 p.c.—106⅛, 5⅞, ⅛, 6⅛. Aerated Bread—30/10½, 1/1½, 30/7½. African and Eastern—32/6, 9d., 3/-, 2/3, 7½d., 4½d., *2/-. Amalgamated Cotton—12/9, 10½d., 6d. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—34/-, 10½d., 1½d., 9d., 5/-, 4/3, 7½d. Anglo-Egyptian Oil—26/10½, 8/1½. Anglo-Persian Oil—80/7½, *79/9, 80/10½, 80/-; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—*24/6, 5/-, 4/7½, 9d. Armstrong—19/7½, 4½d., 3d. Assoc. Cement—19/10½, 9d., 20/-, 19/6, 20/3, 1½d. Assoc. Newspapers Def.—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Barclays Bank "A" (x.d.)—7⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. "B" (x.d.)—52/-, 1/9, 2/1½, 1/10½, 2/3. British American Tobacco—84/9, 3d., 7½d., *5/3, 5/-, 4/3, 4/-. British Controlled Oil—8/1½, 8/-, 7/10½; do. Pref.—9/0½, 8/10½, 9½d., 9/3, 9/-, 8/9, 9/0½. British Oil and Cake—27/3, 9d., 6d., 4½d., 7½d. Brit. Overseas Bank—5⅛, ⅛. Brunner Mond—36/9, 1½d., 7½d., 6/-, 4½d., 7½d. B.S.A.—12/3, 1½d., 4½d., 11/10. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—85⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛. Buenos Ayres Western Ord.—83⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2⅞, 3⅛, ⅛, 2⅞, 3⅛, ⅛. Buenos Ayres Pacific—81⅛, 2, 1⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, 1⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Burmah Oil—5⅛, ⅛. Canadian Pacific—154⅛, 5. Central Argentine Ord.—75, ⅛, 4⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5, 4⅞. Chinese Engineering and Mining—56/-, 5/-, 4/4½, 3/9, 2/6, 5/7½, 4/8½. Coats—65/-, 3d., 4/3, 7½d., 6d. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.—17/6, 7½d., 17/-, *3d., 9d., 3d.; do. Part. Pref.—21/-, 3½d. Cory (Wm.)—48/9, 7/9, 8/6. Courtaulds—61/7½, 4½d., 6d., 1½d., 1/-, 9d., 2/-, 1½d., 6d., 7½d., 6d. Crosse and Blackwell—5/7½, 6d., 3d., *1½d., 4½d., 7½d. Cunard Ord.—24/-, 3/6, 10½d., 9d., 4/1½, 3/7½; do. Debentures (x.d.)—104⅛, 5⅛, 4⅞, 5⅛. Dunlop Ord.—9/10½, 9d., 6d., 8½d.; do. Debentures—105⅛. Empire of India Tea—47/3. English Sewing Cotton—46/6, 3d., 7/-. Fine Cotton Spinners—44/3, 4/-. General Electric Ord.—19/7½, 9d., 6d.; do. Debentures—106⅛, ⅛. Grand Central Rubber—23/-, 2/6. Great Western Rail.—112⅛, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 12; do. 5 p.c. Pref.—103⅛, 5, 4⅛, ⅛, 4. Guinness Ord.—440, 1⅛. Harrods Ord.—29/3, 9/-, 8/9, 9/3, *9/-. Highlands Rubber—39/4½, 8/9, 6/6½. Hudson's Bay Ord.—7⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Imperial Tobacco—76/7½, 9d., 6/-, 1½d., 5/10½, 9d. Kern River Oil—18/6, 4½d., 7½d. Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/-, 1½d., 20/9, *6d., 10½d., 1/-; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—19/3, 7½d., 4½d., 9½d.; do. 7 p.c. Debentures—108, ⅛, 8, ⅛, 9. Linggi Rubber—37/6, 6/3. Lipton Ord.—*24/6. Lister and Co. Ord.—30/10½, 3d. Lloyds Bank—59/-, 8/7½, 9/1½, 8/6, 9/1½. Lobitos Oil (x.d.)—5⅛, 41-64. London County Bank—16⅛, 17⅛, 17, 16⅞. London Joint City Bank (x.d.)—8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. London N.E. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.—79⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 9, 8⅞, 9⅛, *9; do. Def. Ord.—34⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. London, Midland, and Scottish Ord.—106⅛, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6, ⅛, *⅛. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—88/-, 9/4½; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—25/-, 4/9, 10½d. Marconi Ord.—52/6, 9d., 3/6, 9d., 2/10½, 1/10½, 2/3; do. Pref.—43/9; do. Marine—28/3; do. Canada—11/3, 1½d., 4½d.; do. Debentures—107, ⅛, 6⅞, ⅛. Maypole Def.—7/3, 1½d., 7/-, 2¼d., 1½d. Mexican Eagle Ord.—39/3, 4½d., 8/9, 1½d., *40/-, 39/8¼, 8/5½; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—17/4½, 6d., 3½d., 3d. Midland Railway Def.—52/1½. Nat. Prov. Bank (£4)—10⅛, ⅛, *⅛, £10 6/9, 10⅛, ⅛. Nestle 8 p.c. Pref.—19/-, 1½d., 18/9. Niger 8 p.c. Pref.—18/-, 3d., 1½d. Nobel Indus.—18/1½, *17/7½, 10½d.; do. Pref. (x.d.)—18/4½, 6d., *17/10½; do. Def.—7/4½, 3d. Phœnix Oil—24/7½, 5/-, 1½d., 4/9, 4½d., 9d. Platt Ord.—40/-. Prov. Cinematograph Pref. Ord.—7/6½. Radio Corp. Common—15/1½; do. Pref.—13/-, 3d. Rim Malacca—3/9½, 9d. Royal Dutch—29, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 8⅞, 9, ⅛, ⅛. Royal Mail Steam 6½ p.c. Pref.—104⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Rubber Trust—26/9, 7/-, 6/10½, 4½d., *6/-, 4½d. Shell—77/6, 6/3, 5/7½, 5/-, 3¼d., 6/6½, 4/4½, *7/2½, *3/9, *5/9. Smithfield and Argentine—14/3, 10½d., 13/9, 14/6. Southern Pref. Ord.—79⅛, 9, ⅛, ⅛, 8⅞, *9, ⅛; do. Def. Ord.—34⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5, 4⅞, *⅛, ⅛; do. Ord. A—31⅛, *2, 1⅛, 2; do. B—10⅛. Sudan Plantations—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Tankers Pref.—8/3, 4½d., 7½d., 6d., 5½d. Trinidad Central Oil—29/4½, 30/7½, 29/6, 10½d. Turkish Unified—23⅛, 2⅞, ⅛, 3⅛, ⅛, 2⅞, ⅛, ⅛, 3, 2⅞, ⅛. Underground Electric—59/4½, 9d. United Dairies—28/9, 6d., 7½d., 4½d. United of Havana Rail.—74⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4, ⅛. United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.—12/11½. United Tobacco—48/-, 3d., 7/6, 10½d., 9d. Urez Oil—7/10½, 8/-, 7/7½, 9d., 10½d. Vickers—16/10½, 8¼d., 4½d., 17/-, 16/6, 7½d. Workman Clark Debs.—95.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

DUBLIN WOOL SALES.

There was a very good attendance of buyers in Messrs. Ganly's warerooms yesterday, when about 250,000 lbs. weight of the various classes were offered. Competition was very keen for all grades of wool, and, with the exception of a few lots which were withdrawn, the whole catalogue was cleared. Prices realised show an advance of 15 per cent. on those ruling at the last auction, November 22nd. The following are the quotations:—

	Washed.	Greasy.
Downs	18d. to 19d.	—
Shrops	16d. to 17d.	12½d. to 13½d.
Fine bred wools	12d. to 14d.	9d. to 10d.
Deep bred wools	9½d. to 11d.	7½d. to 8½d.
Fine Cheviot	13d. to 15d.	9d. to 10d.
Second Cheviot	10d. to 12d.	9d. to 10d.
Cross & Mountain	8d. to 9½d.	7d. to 7½d.
Scotch	8d. to 9d.	7½d. to 8½d.
Blackface	—	7½d. to 8½d.

Messrs. Ganly's next auction will be held on Wednesday, 11th April.

DUBLIN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (INCORPORATED).

At the weekly meeting of the Committee of the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Mr. F. O. Lyons, M.A.C.E., presided. The following were also present:—Mrs. J. H. Darley, Miss Tuckey, Mrs. Power O'Donoghue, Miss Hillas, Dr. M. Dockrell, Miss Overend.

The minutes of previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Four cases of cruelty were reported by the inspectors during the week. Two are to be summoned and two postponed for further consideration.

List of convictions obtained during the week in cases already reported was read.

Reports on dogs sold and claimed at the Dogs' Home, Grand Canal quay, during the week were submitted.

The Committee note with satisfaction the increase in stray dogs brought to the Home by the police—146 dogs have been received since 1st January, 1923.

The following subscriptions, etc., were thankfully acknowledged, viz.:—F. Dickenson, Esq., £1 1/-; Miss Bradstreet, 5/-; Mrs. Maunsell, £1; Miss M. H. FitzGerald, 5/-; Misses May, 5/-.

Having disposed of the remaining business on the agenda, the Committee adjourned.

THE MONEY MARKET.

DEMAND FOR LOANS.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES IMPROVE.

Knowing that considerable quantities of taxes would be handed over, Lombard street was prepared for considerable pressure in credit yesterday, and during the early hours there was quite a flurry, with rather stiff terms being offered for night accommodation. However, the position did not prove so stringent as had been feared, night money coming on offer down to 1½ p.c. Old day-to-day money and fixtures were going on at 1½ p.c., with 1¾ p.c. sometimes asked for new money for short periods. The effect on discounts was marked, there being rather free offerings of bills.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed July 13, 1922, 3%					
60 days (fine)	2⅛%		Trade	3	3⅛%
3 months	2⅛	2¼	"	3	3⅛%
4 months	2⅛	2⅛	"	3¼	3½%
6 months	2⅛	2⅝	"	2	1⅞%
Loans to brokers day-to-day					1⅞%
for a week					%
Deposit allowance	Banks at call				%
"	Discount houses, at call			1	⅞%
"	at notice				1⅛%

Gold was 2d. per ounce lower at 88s. 8d. Bar silver fell 1/16d. for spot and ⅛d. for forward delivery, to 31⅛d. and 30 15/16d. per ounce, respectively.

The market in foreign exchange opened cheerful on the American debt news, but so far as Continental currencies were concerned a reaction set in. Sterling was consistently strong on New York at 4.66, while French francs, after being as good as 77.60, deteriorated to 78.65, and Belgium was up to 91.50 to 91.60, Italy being 98¼. German marks, which were down to 180,000, moved in unison with francs to 190,000, while Dutch money depreciated to 11.86. Switzerland being 24.83 to 24.88 and Sweden 17.37 to 17.42. The following are closing quotations:—

—	February 1.		January 31.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½d
Amsterdam	11.85½	11.86½	11.76	11.76½	12.10
B. Ayres	43⅛	43½	43⅛	43⅜	47.58
Barcelona	29.86	29.88	29.89	29.91	25.22
Berlin	188,000	193,000	225,000	235,000	20.40
Bombay	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4⅛
Brussels	91.50	91.60	90.10	90.20	25/22½
Calcutta	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4⅛	1/4
Christiania	24.95	25.05	24.93	24.98	18.15
Copenhagen	24.30	24.35	24.30	24.35	18.15
Czecho-Slov	160	165	160	165	
Finland	184	187	184	188	25.22½
Greece	385	390	385	395	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/3½	2/3⅝	2/3½	2/3⅝	†
Hungary	11,750	12,750	11,500	13,000	—
Italy	98	98½	98	98½	25.22½
Lisbon	2⅛	2⅜	2⅛	2⅜	53⅛d.
Madrid	29.78	29.83	29.85	29.90	25.22½
Mexico	25d		25d		24½d.
Montreal	4.70⅞	4.71½	4.68⅞	4.69⅛	4.86
Montevideo	42½	42¾	42½	43	51d.
New York	4.66	4.66⅛	4.63¾	4.64¾	4.86
Paris	78.60	78.70	79.20	79.30	25.22
Poland	130,000	160,000	147,000	157,000	—
RiodeJan	5⅞	6⅛	5⅞	6	16d.
Roumania	1,100	1,150	1,200	buyers	†
Shanghai	3/0½	3/1½	3/0½	3/1½	—
Singapore	holiday		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.37	17.42	17.33	17.38	18.15
Switzerland	24.83	24.88	24.82	24.87	25.22
Valparaiso	38.10		38.10		18.33
Vienna	315,000	345,000	210,000	340,000	—
Yokohama	2/0⅞	2/1	2/1⅛	2/1⅛	24.9

The Times quotation for the German mark to-day is 189,000.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

GOVERNMENT REPAYMENTS.

End of the month demands for currency have caused an expansion of £1,200,000 in the note circulation of the Bank of England, and the reserve is lower to that extent, the present reserve being a little under £24,000,000. Repayments of money borrowed by the Government from the Bank are indicated in a reduction of £4,000,000 in the Government securities. There was an increase of £370,000 in the other securities, and as the public deposits suffered to the extent of fully £8,000,000, the amount having been reduced to £106,300,000, the proportion of the reserve to liabilities is not much lower than 19¾ per cent.

WEEK ENDING JANUARY 31, 1923.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes Issued	£144,113,525	Govt. Debt	£11,015,100
		Other Securities	7,434,900
		Gold Coin and Bullion	125,663,525
	£144,113,525		£144,113,525

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£49,419,812
Rest	3,455,326	Other Securities	65,608,129
Public deposits	14,600,601	Notes	22,095,370
Other deposits	106,323,608	Gold & Silver Coin	1,828,335
7-day & other Bills	19,111		
	£138,951,646		£138,951,646

Compared with last week:	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	1,219,585	
Public Deposits	3,228,569	—
Other Deposits	—	5,107,734
Government Securities	—	4,024,999
Other Securities	370,082	—
Bullion	2,706	—
Rest	8,165	—
Reserve	—	1,217,795

Proportion of Reserve to Liabilities 19¾% against 20% last week, and 14¾% last year.

The following shows the position of the Bank of England now and during the previous two years:—

	1923.	1922.	1921.
	£	£	£
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	120,798,570	123,686,655	129,600,380
Public Deposits	11,372,032	15,646,226	18,603,513
Other Deposits	114,431,342	144,749,777	129,851,796
Govt. Securities	53,424,811	74,203,686	70,621,465
Other Securities	65,238,047	80,589,627	78,696,717
Reserve of Notes & Coin	25,140,584	23,615,620	17,142,018
Coin & Bullion	127,489,154	128,752,275	128,292,398
Reserve to Liabilities	20%	14⅛%	11½%
Bank Rate	3%	5%	7%
Consols	56⅛	51⅞	46⅛
Bar Silver	32⅛d.	35⅛d.	36⅛d.
Clearinghouse Return	683,214,000	765,075,000	830,979,000

STORE CATTLE SALES.

MESSRS. R. AND J. WILKINSON.—The demand for store cattle continues keen, and prices have advanced considerably since the beginning of the year. A good attendance of buyers were present, and, with smart competition, the lengthy catalogue was readily disposed of; only in a few instances did highly reserved lots fail to change hands. Hereford and A.A. crosses again made top live weight quotations, namely:—£27 5/- (56/6), £26 (55/-), £23 10/- (56/-), £19 5/- (51/6), £18 15/- (54/-), £18 7/6 (49/-). There was a better selection of shorthorn bullocks, the best pens of three year old selling at £25 10/- (53/-), £25 5/- (54/-), £25 5/- (53/6), £24 5/- (51/6), £23 5/- (53/-), £21 (51/6), £20 15/- (50/-); whilst good pens of two and two and a half years olds went at £19 15/- (46/6), £18 10/- (49/6), £18 10/- (48/-), £18 5/- (46/6) and 44/-, £17 15/- (47/6 and 45/6), £17 (46/-). Heifers made £22 15/- (53/6), £20 5/- (50/-), £17 5/- (52/-). A.A. crosses, £17 5/- (51/6), £16 15/- (49/-), £16 12/6 (46/6), £16 10/- (48/-), etc.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN, North Circular road, Thursday.—Our market this morning was dominated by a decidedly quieter tone throughout. For both choice cattle and sheep it was more difficult to secure a repetition of last week's tip-top rates, whilst secondary and common descriptions of stock were much more uneven, and generally depressed in value. The variation in numerical strength of market was not such as to influence trade much either one way or the other, but it was more or less anticipated that the market would be on a cheaper basis in view of the depressed condition of the meat trade at the other side, and the withdrawal of certain patronage from Scotch districts, where they appear to have enough stock for the moment. The arrival of Canadian fat cattle at Glasgow and Birkenhead, too, had a certain decimating effect on the shipping demand, but with the strike trouble settled there were rather more cattle taken for that abattoir. More doing in the shipping enquiry for sheep, but this did not mean any appreciable support to business generally. In both the bovine and ovine departments of market there was a considerable proportion of animals still undealt with at a late hour, and it was likely there would be some carry over, but the entrants were rather liberal for the season.

	Numbers on offer this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of 1922.	1921.
Cattle	3,860	decrease 214	2,815	3,267
Sheep	6,489	increase 617	4,250	5,710
Veal calves	5	increase 2	2	2

Over-weight qualities of cattle, and more especially the heavy class heifers, were much harder to cash than were medium descriptions, and secondary grades were not so uniformly placed as previously, but nice handy to medium weighted quality shorthorn bullocks and heifers were fully as well sold as previously, say, at 55/- to 56/-, and 57/6 per cwt., with super grade class making up to 58/- and 60/- per cwt. Several very nice drafts of blacks on market, which realised, respectively, 61/-, 62/-, 63/-, and up to 65/- per cwt., but these fancy animals were little or no criterion to the money position of the shorthorn or ordinary class beasts. Good medium cattle went from 50/- to 54/-; ordinary sorts, 45/- to 50/-; rough and inferior, say, 36/6 up to 44/- per cwt. Fat bulls proved a very disappointing trade in absence of Scotch and North of Ireland support; animals of the class selling up to 50/- and 52/6 last Thursday could be purchased this morning around 46/- per cwt.; in fact, this figure seemed to be best bid for the pick of what offered. Others would be from 37/6 to 45/-, but most were unsold. Fat cows, too, got a sharp set-back in price, and although a few fancy young qualities were negotiated at 48/- to 50/- per cwt., the best generally were placed at 40/- to 46/-, and demand fell very much short of previous support, leaving many good and middling lots unsold.

In the sheep department there was a dragging slow trade, but for the best qualities of wethers owners were as tenacious as ever with regard to prices, and leading victuallers had to pay fully last Thursday's figures for suitable pens of these sheep. Choice quality ewes, too, were scarce and looked for, and the best sorts went fully up to 1/3 or 1/4 per lb., the latter of the Cheviot class. Big sheep in suitable condition sold relatively well; secondary descriptions of sheep, however, were too numerous and difficult to deal with, and, in the circumstances, shippers were enabled to draw more off the market than on last occasion, but they were mostly in quest of hoggets and sheep generally under £5 value, the handier hoggets and Cheviots being principally required. Terms for choice wether mutton went from 1/3½ to 1/4½ and 1/5 per lb.; perhaps ½d. or so more for fancy qualities. Ordinary sorts of mutton may be reckoned at 1/- to 1/3 per lb., according to character. Veal calves appear to be a thing of the past, and very few are now featuring on this market.

DUBLIN DAIRY, North Circular road, Thursday.—There were just 160 head of milch beasts offered in this branch, being 32 less than previous gathering. Trade proved much more tedious than before, and prices generally lower. For the pick of the lot, £32 to £35 and £36 were prices realised, the latter figure being for an exceptionally nice stocker. Other good, fresh promising liberal milchers went from £24 to £30 each, and small and ordinary cows £15 to £22 10/-. A very useful looking quartette of cows sold at £16 apiece to a dairyman.

DUBLIN PIG, North Circular road, Thursday.—We had a rather fuller market of swine, there being 1,257 head penned, for which trade on the whole worked out disappointingly. In fact, there was practically no competitive inclination among buyers, and sellers found it difficult to maintain cohesion or a balance in values. For nice small pork, weights, say, 6 to 9 or 10 stone, terms ruled fair enough. Several North of England men were in quest of immature hogs around £5 each (veritable stores) for pork purposes. Heavy-weight hogs tedious to negotiate at uncertain rates, but sow pigs particularly more or less of a drug to cash, even at a smart concession. Market ran into a late hour, and almost impossible to sell out. Choice small weight hogs, approximate dead reckoning, £5 5/- to £5 10/- per cwt.; medium heavy, £4 10/- to £5; heavy, etc., £4 to £4 10/-; sow pigs, £3 10/- to £4 10/- dead, or, say, 55/- to 65/- on foot. Stores continue in demand and dear.

GLASGOW, Wednesday.—Strathmore Auction Company report.—Number of Irish fat cattle at Merklands on Monday smaller; Scotch-fed cattle more plentiful, trade slow at barely late rates. Firm prices for best finished Scotch, secondary much lower. Small supply of Irish stores at Merklands on Wednesday; good attendance of buyers from Aberdeenshire, Kincardineshire, Forfarshire, Perthshire, Stirlingshire, Fifeshire, Kinross-shire, Berwick, and Lanark. Supplies of conditioned cattle for short keep not equal to demand. Well-bred bullocks and stirks suitable for grazing, of which the supply chiefly consisted, sold freely at late rates, and everything was cleared.—(Advt.)

GLASGOW MARKET REPORT, 31st January, 1923.—Hegarty and Kelly, 275 Duke street, Glasgow, report smaller supplies of fat cattle in to-day's market. For all classes trade was slow at late rates. Sheep made high prices. Telegrams, Hegarty, Glasgow.—(Advt.)

BIRMINGHAM, Thursday.—A moderately good supply of pigs, and values steady, with business inclined to be quiet. Sizeable bacons, 20/-; small pigs, 21/-; sows, 16/- per score, dead-weight.

YORK, Thursday.—Average supply of sheep, with a slow trade, and no change in price. Fair show of cattle, both Irish and English. Irish dealers are asking for an advance on late rates, which is not conceded. Trade rules slow. Bigger show of calving and milch cows, and trade decidedly worse, a drop of £1 to £2 per head.

BRISTOL, Thursday.—Beef in moderate supply, 105/- per cwt. best dead weight. Mutton moderate, 1/4 to 1/6 per lb. About 1,100 store cattle offered, not all sold, and prices not maintained. Milch cows £23 to £30, extra good £44.

LEVER'S Linseed, Cotton, Compound, Cocoanut, Palm Nut Cakes and Meals, Pig Meal. Agent—William Rourke, 36 North Circular road, Dublin.—(Advt.)

GRAIN.

BRISTOL CORN, Thursday.—English wheat, fair supply. Best milling, 9/6 to 9/9 per cwt., according to quality. Foreign quiet; only actual requirements taken. No. 1 Northern Manitoba, 51/- per quarter. Grinding barley, better inquiry, 6d. cheaper. Maize in little request; prices harder. Oats steady at late rates.

MANCHESTER, Thursday.—English wheat quiet and lower at 9/1 to 9/4 per cwt. Foreign dull, favouring buyers. Maize advancing; mixed American 7/10½, River Plate 7/11 per cental. Cheshire oats 9/- to 10/9; foreign slow. English beans lower, 9/10 to 9/10½.

PROVISIONS.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE, Thursday.—Supplies of vegetables fair. Market rather slow, and prices still with an irregular run. Cauliflowers, 1/3 to 2/6, 3/9, 4/-, and 4/3 per dozen; poor stuff, 8d. to 10d.; sprouts, 1/- to 1/9 and 2/- per float; swedes, 2/- to 2/4 and 2/6 per cwt.; celery, 6d. to 1/6, 1/9, and 2/3 per bundle; Savoy cabbage, 10/6 to 16/-, to 25/- and 30/-; York, 12/6 to 20/-, 26/-, 30/-, and 34/- per load; parsnips, 3/6 to 4/6 per cwt.; carrots, 3d. to 1/- per dozen bunches; parsley, 6d. to 1/- per tray.

DUBLIN POTATO, Thursday.—Trade for potatoes remains dull, and indicates little change. Skerries, 5/6 per cwt.; Arran Chiefs, 4/3 and 4/6; Dates, 4/- per cwt.

CORK BUTTER, Thursday.—The tone of the market is somewhat firmer, and values are tending upwards. Choicest salted, 202/- per cwt.; creameries average 189/-; choicest mild cured, 186/- to 188/-; fresh, 174/-.

DUBLIN FISH, Thursday.—There was a fairly good supply of fish, including head qualities, on the market. Salmon prices did not transpire. Three steamers brought in over 440 boxes of fish, but a good deal appeared to be shallow water catches. Only three chests of lobsters featured. Trade good. Sales averaged:—First pick of lobsters, 25/- to 30/- per 13; others, 7/6 to 17/- and 20/- average; turbot, 6d. to 10/- and 21/-; brill, 6d. to 3/- and 6/- each; best soles, 35/- to 47/6 per 9 pairs; mediums, 22/6 to 27/6 to 30/-; slips, 10/- to 17/6 per 9 pairs; large plaice, 6/- to 8/- per 4; others, 5/- to 8/- per 8; half-boxes plaice, 40/- to 34/-; codfish, 30/- to 55/-; hake, selected, 40/- to 80/-; small, 14/- to 20/-; white soles, 40/- to 55/-; whiting, prime, 30/- to 40/-; others, 13/- to 20/-; pollock, 22/- to 30/-; ling, 20/- to 27/-; conger eels, large, 30/- to 32/-; small, 5/- to 12/-; ray, 20/- to 30/-; gurnard, 2/- to 5/-; about 30 packages herrings. Prices from 5/- and 6/-, 20/- to 27/- and 30/- per box.

BILLINGSGATE FISH, Thursday.—Supply moderate; demand good. Soles, also ships, 12d. to 16d. per lb.; live eels 17/- to 24/-, dead 14/- to 20/- per draft; turbot 11/- to 13/-, brill 10/- to 12/-, plaice 9/- to 14/-, halibut 16/- to 20/-, lemon soles 15/- to 16/-; whitches 9/- to 12/-, cod 6/- to 8/-, whiting 3/- to 4/-, hake 11/- to 12/-, gurnet 3/- to 4/-, haddocks 5/- to 7/6 per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH, Thursday.—Sixty North Sea, three Iceland trawlers, and one liner landed poor supply. Demand fair. Plaice 15/-, lemon soles 18/6, cod 6/6, halibut 22/-, skate 6/6 to 8/6, small haddocks 4/-, kit gibbed 8/-, dabs 10/- to 12/6; codlings 5/- to 6/-, whitings 5/- per stone; soles 1/3, turbot 11d., brill 1/- per lb.

LONDON POTATO, Thursday.—Heavy supplies; slow demand; prices weak. Eclipse, 50/- to 60/-; King Edwards, 70/- to 80/-; Lincoln British Queens, 60/- to 65/-; Majestic, ditto; Blackland King Edwards, 50/- to 55/-; Tunwald Perfection, ditto; Evergoods Skirts, 50/- to 55/-; Kerr Pinks, 55/- to 60/-; Scottish King Edwards, 75/- to 80/- per ton.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT, Thursday.—Beef steady; Scotch long 6/8 to 7/4, short 7/4 to 8/-; English and Irish 5/8 to 6/4. Argentine chilled hindquarters 4/3, fore 3/5. Mutton easier; Scotch tegs 10/4 to 11/4, withers 9/- to 9/8; English wethers 8/8 to 9/8, both ewes 5/4 to 5/8. Lamb steady; English 9/8 to 10/4.

PRODUCE.

LONDON, Thursday.—COFFEE—Market steady on spot, and fair inquiries chiefly from the home trade; futures quiet, March and May quoted 60/3, July 59/9 per cwt. TEA—Java and Sumatra auctions totalled 3,600 packages, and with a quiet demand prices tended against sellers. Pekoe Souchong 1/4½ to 1/5, orange 1/4½ to 1/6, Pekoe 1/5½, broken 1/4 to 1/5½ per lb. in bond. JUTE—Business again quiet, but prices without much change as sellers do not press unduly; first grade Jan.-Feb. Continent quoted £31 10/-, Feb.-March £32 15/-, March-May-April £33 15/- ton, lightning grade partly nominal. Hessians and twills slow, on about former terms. RUBBER—Market was again subject to some irregularity, and a fair amount of business was arranged; standard plantation crepe and sheet spot sold 17½d., February delivery at 17½d. to 17¾d., March 17½d., April-June 17¾d. to 18d. and 17¾d., July-Sept. 17¾d. to 18d., and Oct.-Dec. 18¼d. to 18½d. To New York [illegible]

DISTRICT COURTS.

SCOPE OF THE BILL BEFORE THE DAIL.

The text of the District Justices (Temporary Provisions) Bill, introduced in the Dail on Tuesday, has been issued. The object of the measure is "to provide for the appointment of District Justices to hold courts of summary jurisdiction and to make consequential alterations in the law relating to courts of summary jurisdiction."

The first section relates to the appointment of District Justices, such appointments to be made by the Governor-General on the advice of the Executive Council. Persons to be appointed must be barristers or solicitors, and they may be dismissed or removed at the pleasure of the Governor-General on the advice of the Executive Council. No District Justice shall hold any other office or position of emolument or be elected a member of either House of the Oireachtas. The form of oath or declaration to be made on appointment includes a statement that he does not belong to any political or any secret society and will not join any such society during his tenure of office.

The duties include the holding of District Courts at such places within the district allotted to him and at such times as shall be prescribed by the Minister for Home Affairs. A District Justice's Court shall have all the powers, jurisdiction and authorities formerly vested in a Justice of the Peace, and his orders, decrees and judgments shall be subject to the same appeals.

Power is given to the Minister to divide the counties into Court Districts and appoint a convenient place in each for the holding of District Courts, and to alter these districts and places at any time. Such districts shall take the place of the former Petty Sessions Districts.

Provision is made for the appointment by the Minister of Parish Commissioners to exercise the following powers and duties:—(a) Signing Petty Sessions summonses; (b) signing warrants; (c) administering oaths and taking declarations and affirmations; (d) committing dangerous lunatics to lunatic asylums; (e) signing certificates for the admission of pauper lunatics and idiots to lunatic asylums.

Whenever any person charged with having committed an indictable offence shall be arrested by a member of the Civic Guard, such person shall be forthwith brought before a Parish Commissioner, who, after hearing evidence, shall remand such person either in custody or in such bail as the Parish Commissioner shall think fit until the next District Court to be held in the Court District where the person was arrested.

From and after the passing of this Act the existing offices of Clerk of Petty Sessions shall cease to exist, and the Minister shall appoint fit persons to be District Court Clerks, and may appoint each such person to be clerk in one or in any greater number of such Court Districts.

The existing office of Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks shall, after the passing of this Act, be called "The Registrar of District Court Clerks," and his duties will be the same as those heretofore performed in relation to Clerks of Petty Sessions. Provision is made for the substitution of the Civic Guard for the Royal Irish Constabulary in connection with the local jurisdiction.

All fees payable by law in connection with Petty Sessions (including dog tax) shall continue to be payable at the like times, and in the like manner, as heretofore; but with the modifications that all such fees, except the dog tax, shall be charged and paid at double the rate at which the same were heretofore charged and paid.

The bill provides for confirmation and validating of the appointments and the acts of the District Justices already appointed, whose names are set out in a schedule as follows:—

Mr. L. J. Walsh, solicitor; Mr. P. F. Lavery, solicitor; Mr. J. F. Crotty, solicitor; Mr. W. G. Price, B.L.; Mr. R. D. F. Johnston, solicitor; Mr P. P. O'Donoghue, B.L.; Mr. D. F. Gleeson, solicitor; Mr. G. P. Cussen, solicitor; Mr. J. V. Fahy, solicitor; Mr. J. M. Flood, B.L.; Mr. M. J. Hannan, B.L.; Mr. W. D. Coyne, solicitor; Mr. K. S. Reddin, solicitor; Mr. J. J. Molloy, solicitor; Mr. B. J. Goff, solicitor; Mr. C. A. Flattery, solicitor; Mr. J. M. Forde, solicitor; Mr. E. J. Little, B.L.; Mr. T. A. Finlay, B.L.; Mr. C. J. Beatty, B.L.; Mr. J. H. Gallagher, B.L.; Mr. J. S. Troy, solicitor; Mr. W. Meagher, solicitor; Mr. D. B. Sullivan, B.L.; Mr. G. Farrell, B.L.; Mr. J. O'Hanrahan, solicitor.

A BUILDING CONTRACT.

ACTION AGAINST RURAL COUNCIL.

In the Court of Appeal, before the Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Ronan, and Lord Justice O'Connor, an appeal by the defendants in the case of Somers v. South Dublin Rural District Council came on for hearing from a judgment for £785 entered for the plaintiff on the findings of the jury by Mr. Justice Samuels at the third trial of the action, which had been brought by Mr. Joseph P. Somers, building contractor, of Clondalkin, County Dublin, to recover damages, laid at £34,498, for alleged breach of contract with reference to the erection of two sets of labourers' cottages in the Crumlin district. The contract was entered into in 1915.

The plaintiff alleged that he did not get possession of any of the two sets of sites for the buildings for months after the date agreed upon, and that possession of two of the sites was never given to him, so that it was impossible for him to carry out the contract.

The defence was substantially a traverse of the alleged cause of action.

The case was first tried before Mr. Justice Dodd and a special jury, when a verdict was directed for the defendants, on the ground that the action was barred by the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898. The second trial, before Mr. Justice Moore and a special jury, resulted in a disagreement.

Mr. Clancy, K.C.; Mr. Lynch, K.C.; and Mr. P. O'C. White (instructed by Mr. J. F. Doyle) appeared for the appellants; and Serjeant Hanna, Mr. MacLoone, K.C., and Mr. Moonan (instructed by Mr. John Moran) for the respondent.

The further hearing was adjourned till Monday.

ASSAULT ACTION REMITTED.

In the King's Bench Division, before Mr. Justice Samuels, in the action of Martin Long, of Rathkennon, Holycross, Thurles, v. James [illegible], Grange, Holycross,

Mr. St. L. Devitt (instructed by Messrs. L. J. Ryan and Son) applied on behalf of the defendant for an order remitting the action for trial to the County Court Judge. The action, counsel said, was brought for assault and battery. It was alleged that defendant struck plaintiff in the face, and [illegible] walked away.

Mr. Justice Samuels granted the application.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

BRADFORD WOOL EXCHANGE, Thursday.—[illegible]

LIVERPOOL COTTON, Thursday.—[illegible]

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW. [illegible]

LONDON METALS MARKET.

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